

NEWS

# Camp Grayling monument dedicated



A monument to recognize one of the oldest military units in the State of Michigan was unveiled at Camp Grayling last week as the Michigan National Guard capped off its annual training.

A memorial dedication honoring the service of the 225th Infantry Detroit Light Guard was held by Camp Grayling's Chapel on Friday following Gov. Jennifer M. Granholm's Pass and Review of the troops. 10A

# Grayling receives funds for Ingham St.

The City of Grayling has netted a grant that will pay for infrastructure and street improvements for a road that links east and west sides of the community.

The city received a \$388,284 Community Development Block Grant through the Michigan Economic Development Corporation. The funds will be used to replace infrastructure on Ingham Street, which runs from the I-75 Business Loop to Maple Street adjacent to the Old AuSable Fly Shop. 20A

SPORTS

# GRA 10K has strong turnout despite rain



The 2009 GRA 10K - an annual foot race conducted by Grayling Recreation Authority during the AuSable River Festival - featured one of its largest group of participants in recent years, despite early morning rain showers.

This year's GRA 10K, held on Saturday, July 25, featured 131 participants. The race began at the Grayling High School track (inside the football stadium) and used part of the Grayling Bicycle Turnpike - a paved trail for nonmotorized traffic.

"Our numbers were up," said Justin Andre, GRA Director. "We were probably up about 20 people from last year. I thought (the rain) would have had more of a negative effect, but we had probably the highest number since we've been doing it at the high school." 13A

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# Voters reject senior center proposals

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

Crawford County voters said they would not foot the bill for a new Grayling Senior Center and didn't want funds from the county coffers to pay to renovate the former Grayling Fish Hatchery for senior center facilities at the polls on Tuesday.

Proposition One, which asked voters if Crawford County officials should issue \$1.5 million in general obligation bonds which would have been used to build additions and make renovations to the former

Grayling Fish Hatchery Building, was rejected by a 716 no to 629 yes vote. The bonds issued would have been paid off over 15 years out of Crawford County's general fund budget and would not have resulted in a tax increase to taxpayers.

Proposition Two, which asked voters if Crawford County officials should borrow up to \$2 million in general obligation tax bonds to build, equip and furnish a new senior center and Crawford County Commission on Aging (COA) offices on property located at 4895 West North Down River Road, also

failed by a 948 no to 253 yes vote.

The property is located across from the Grayling Fish Hatchery on the East Branch of the AuSable River. Approval of the millage would have meant an additional .27 mills, equal to 27 cents on every \$1,000 of real and tangible property in the county, would have been placed on tax bills of home owners and business owners for the next 20 years.

The COA board has been studying the move to relocate to the Grayling Fish Hatchery building since September 2007.

In April, seniors submitted 1,425 signatures from registered voters to force the referendum vote on the county's issuance of \$1.5 million in bonds to pay for renovations and additions of the former Grayling Fish Hatchery building for the senior center.

Holding the special election will cost the COA between \$10,000 and \$15,000.

Only 1,425 voters, 13 percent of the 11,219 voters registered to cast ballots in Crawford County went to the polls Tuesday.



Photo by Dan Sanderson

Charlie's Country Corner sales associate Mary Jo Gingerick received a pink mohawk last week to satisfy her end of a bet with fellow employees, who raised over \$3,000 for Relay for Life. Above, Gingerick is pictured with Ginger Helsel, the owner of Ginger's Family Style Shop, who clipped, cut, bleached and dyed Gingerick's hair for the mohawk.

# Charlie's Country Corner employee sports pink mohawk for Relay for Life

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

Last Wednesday was a day off for Charlie's Country Corner sales associate Mary Jo Gingerick, but she still visited her co-workers sporting a fish-finned pink mohawk to celebrate their help in fighting the battle against cancer.

Last year, Gingerick challenged the staff at Charlie's

Country Corner to raise \$1,000 for Relay for Life, she would shave her head bald. Since the employees did not meet the challenge, Gingerick upped the ante this year, and said she would dye her hair purple if they raised \$1,000. The employees stepped up to the challenge and met the goal within a week's time.

Gingerick then said she

would get a pink mohawk if the employees raised over \$3,000 for Relay for Life, and met her end of the bargain last Wednesday.

Gingerick sported purple hair for six weeks while the Charlie's Country Corner crew sold over \$2,000 in Relay for Life feet displayed at the business.

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# Police respond to Saturday shootout

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

Police were called to a shootout in South Branch Township early Saturday evening.

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield said officers from the Crawford County Sheriff's Office and the Grayling Police Department were dispatched to a shooting complaint off of McCredie Road in South Branch Township at 7:06 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 1.

The initial call indicated that there were two male subjects and a female in the woods shooting at each other. Crawford County Central Dispatch kept the caller on the phone who was able to provide responding officers with updated information that included a female shouting for a shooter to stop shooting at them.

When officers arrived on the scene two weapons, one handgun and one long gun, were found on the back porch of a residence with a large number of spent rounds found on the ground and porch. The

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Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield said officers from the Crawford County Sheriff's Office and the Grayling Police Department were dispatched to a shooting complaint off of McCredie Road in South Branch Township at 7:06 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 1. Above, a total of eight weapons - six handguns, one shotgun and one rifle - were confiscated.

# Groundbreaking ceremony held for new soccer fields

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

After two years of planning and fund-raising, a groundbreaking ceremony was held and excavating got underway for two new Crawford AuSable Soccer Association fields Tuesday.

Youngsters on the Crawford AuSable Soccer Association's (CASA) travel team scooped the ceremonial shovels of dirt at the Crawford County Sports Complex on Tuesday with an earth mover from Elmer's Crane and Dozer in the background.

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners recently approved a bid from Elmer's Crane and Dozer of Traverse City to develop the two fields. Project Manager Jeff Denise said it would take about two weeks for the earth work, followed by the installation of irrigation equipment and grass seeding.

"We're just happy to have the work," Denise said. "No job is too small anymore."

CASA, which was founded in 2001, currently holds their spring and fall youth soccer leagues at Hanson Hills. As many as 274 youngsters have participated in league



Photo by Dan Sanderson

After two years of planning and fund-raising, a groundbreaking ceremony was held and excavating got underway for two new Crawford AuSable Soccer Association fields Tuesday. Above, youngsters on the Crawford AuSable Soccer Association travel team scooped the ceremonial shovels of dirt at the Crawford County Sports Complex with an earth mover from Elmer's Crane and Dozer in the background.

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## Chamber seeks executive director

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

Members of the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce may be having a sense of déjà vu following the AuSable River Festival.

Theresa Compton, who served as the office manager for the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce, resigned from her position last week. Compton served as the office manager since the Oct. 13 2008. She was hired by the Grayling Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors after Kim Millikin, the chamber's interim executive director, resigned from her position in July 2008. Millikin, a former chamber board and ambassador

member, was filling the place of former Chamber Director Tim Zigila. Zigila was laid off in 2007, after serving eight years with the chamber, due to budget issues. Kathy Thomas, the former chamber office coordinator, was laid in 2008 after seven years with the organization.

Zigila's lay-off and the two resignations came after the AuSable River Festival, the largest community event that chamber officials are in charge of coordinating.

Mark Gurnow, president of the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce's Board of Directors and general manager for the Forest Dunes Golf Club, credited Compton for getting the organization back into a functioning mode.

Now, the chamber board has set up a committee in hopes of retaining an executive director and are currently attempting to define the duties for the position.

"The chamber board sees the need in the community for a chamber that is active in promoting member businesses and community events," Gurnow said. "We know that a board made up of volunteers with their own full time jobs can not provide the Grayling community the type of support and exposure it deserves and needs."

## Labor analysts say unemployment rates for Crawford County will go up

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

Crawford County posted the 45th highest unemployment rate among Michigan's 83 counties as state's jobless rates spiked to be the highest in the country.

Crawford County had a 15 percent unemployment rate for June 2009, matching the median state's unemployment rate which was the highest unemployment rate in last 25 years for the state and the highest jobless rate of all 50 states in the country.

Seasonally unadjusted unemployment rates rose over the month in all of Michigan's 17 major labor market areas, according to the Michigan Department of Energy, Labor & Economic Growth.

In June, total employment levels increased seasonally in the majority of regions, while labor force levels were up in all areas.

"Many areas reported seasonal hiring in June, however it was not enough to offset the influx of job seekers into Michigan's extremely competitive labor market," said Rick Waclawek, director of the Bureau of Labor Market

Information & Strategic Initiatives. "Also in June, manufacturing losses continued to weaken the state's job market. These two factors helped drive jobless rates upward throughout the state."

The smallest rate gains occurred in the state's three northernmost labor market regions - the Northeast and Northwest. Lower Michigan Regions and the Upper Peninsula - with increases ranging from 0.3 to 0.5 of a percentage point. In June, all 17 of Michigan's major labor market regions posted unemployment rates above 10.0 percent.

From June 2008 to June 2009, jobless rates rose substantially in all 17 regions. Rate increases ranged from 4.2 to 8.6 percentage points with a median advance of 5.9 percentage points. The largest over-the-year jumps were reported in the Monroe, Muskegon-Norton Shores, and Detroit-Warren-Livonia Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSAs).

In the northeast Lower Michigan MSA, which covers Alcona, Alpena, Cheboygan, Crawford, Iosco, Montmorency, Ogemaw, Oscoda, Otsego Presque and Otsego Counties, the unemployment rate dropped from 15.1 in May to 9.4 percent in June. From June 2008 to June 2009, however, the unemployment rate rose from 15.1 to 15.4 percent. A civilian labor force of 97,500 people was available, with a total of 15,000 people being employed and another 82,600 people in the 11-county region seeking jobs.

While there are fewer people in the region seeking jobs, there are fewer jobs available, said Bruce Weaver, economic analyst for Michigan Department of Energy, Labor & Economic Growth.

"June is typically the period in the region and Crawford County when employment is at its peak and that is expected to be the highest it will hit in 2009," Weaver said. "There is significantly more competition for seasonal jobs and more permanent jobs than there was in 2008."

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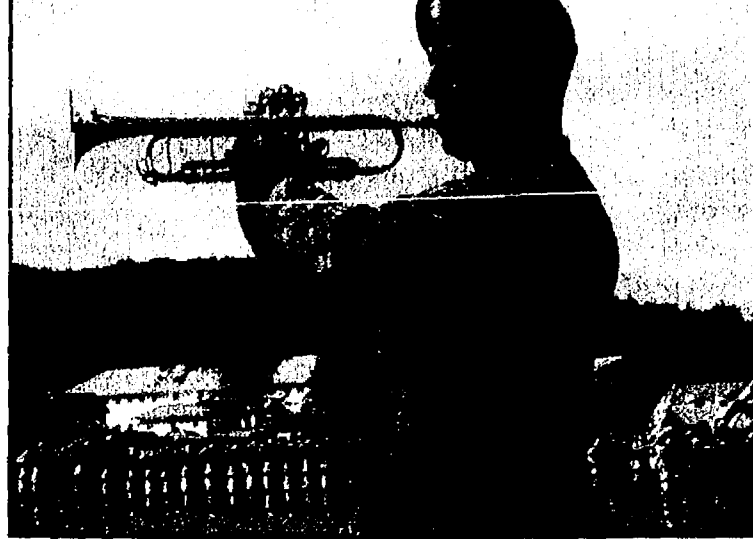
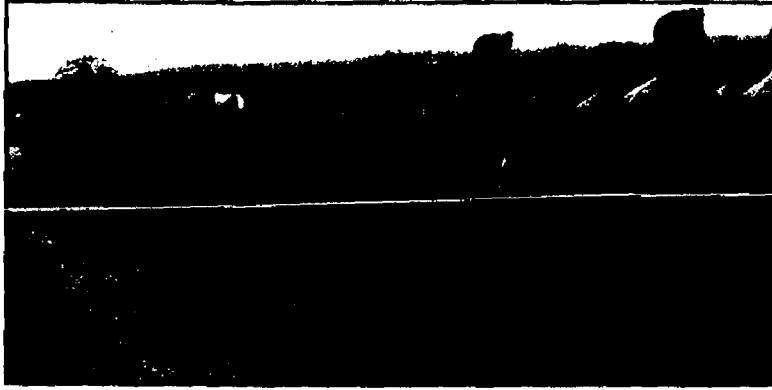
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## Pass and Review held at Camp Grayling



The annual Memorial, Pass and Review capped off the Michigan National Guard's training at Camp Grayling on Friday. Above left, Nancy Hanson Wilcox-Karger, the great granddaughter of Grayling lumber baron and Camp Grayling benefactor, is pictured with Staff Sgt. Michael Engel, the winner of Rasmus Hanson Award as the junior Non Commissioned Officer of the Year. Above right, Gov. Jennifer M. Granholm places a pin on the uniform of Chief Warrant Officer 3 Todd MacLaren, who was recognized as the warrant officer of the year for 2009. Middle left, troops march past the parade stand during the Pass and Review. Middle right, Spec. Tim Szymanski, a member of the 126 Army Band from Cheboygan, plays "Taps" after a list of Michigan National Guard members who have died in the last year was read. Below left, Sgt. Amanda Mikulka, a member of the 144th Military Police Company, was wounded in Iraq by a rocket propelled grenade in Iraq, receives a minuteman statue from Granholm. Below right, members of the Michigan Youth Challenge march in the Pass and Review. Granholm said there is an upcoming battle in Lansing to preserve the Youth Challenge, an military academy based in Battle Creek for at-risk youngsters.

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## Groundbreaking ceremony held

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play for a season. The organization also has a travel team for boys and girls age 4 to 19.

CASA has outgrown the space at Hanson Hills and has a vision of hosting regional and state tournaments. The Grayling Recreation Authority, which manages Hanson Hills, is eyeing the soccer field area to develop two softball fields for adults.

County and soccer association officials say having the soccer fields at the sports complex will be a convenience to parents and children when sports seasons overlap. The Grayling Redskins football fields are located at the sports complex. The Grayling Little League has a ball diamond on the property and is planning on developing additional fields. The sports complex is near the Grayling High School. Finally, parents will be able to utilize the paved path adjacent to Old U.S. 27 for walking, jogging or bicycling while their youngsters are participating in soccer practice.

"All the sports will be in one location and everything will gel together," said Al Lalonde, a CASA coach and member of a committee working on the soccer field relocation.

Phase two of the soccer field development calls for a permanent concession stand, improved handicapped access, improved rest rooms, lights and a scoreboard. Phase three includes paved parking, improved landscaping, possibly a third soccer field if needed, a walking path around the sports complex and a playscape.

County and soccer officials plan to apply for grants to complete future phases of the project.

"Phase one is just to get a place to play and water," said Mike Shearer, who also served the field relocation committee.

Development of the 110 yard long by 70 yard wide soccer fields will allow teams to rotate between fields and play multiple games at the same time.

"This way, everyone can play at the same time and we won't have to jockey things

around to find space," Lalonde said.

Craig Cobb, who has coached the varsity and boys and girls soccer team at Grayling High School for the last four years, said the new fields will be nice boost for the community's soccer program.

"This facility will open up great opportunities for more youth to get involved in soccer which will transfer over to a greater quality of soccer at the varsity level," Cobb said.

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners and Grayling Recreation Authority pledged \$85,000 toward the development of the soccer fields.

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# Issues and Opinions



## Almanack

by Richard Milliman

# Michigan Democrats mull more amendments

MICHIGAN DEMOCRATS may be brewing anew a plan for voters to write new law by amending the state constitution.

A year or so ago, an organization called Reform Michigan Government Now — comprised largely of labor unions and leading Democrats with Democratic Chair Mark Brewer at the helm — tried to put on the 2008 general election ballot a 20,000 word proposal to amend 30 different sections of the state constitution.

The proposed changes would have reduced state house and senate districts, trimmed the state supreme court from seven to five members, created more circuit court districts, cut wages and fringe benefits of elected officials including judges, set tougher financial reporting rules for candidates, created a new method to reapportion legislative districts, plus changes in several other areas as well.

This vast constitutional overhaul never made it to the voters because the Michigan Supreme Court ruled 6-1 the package was too complicated to decide in a single vote.

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LAST YEAR'S revisionists apparently are back again with new ways to change the state constitution with five economic proposals which Michigan Democrats are studying as potential ballot issues for a vote in 2010.

The lightning rod among the five ideas would set the state minimum wage at \$10 per hour, putting Michigan ahead of every other state and the federal wage floor, which just reached \$7.25 last month. Michigan's minimum wage now is \$7.40 per hour, and Washington state now leads at \$8.55 per hour.

The other four possible amendments also could have come directly from a Democratic Party platform, or union manifesto:

- Increase unemployment benefits by \$100 and extend them for another six months. Benefits now top out at \$362 a week for 72 weeks, but the federal stimulus program has extended them to 79 weeks at \$387 per week.

- Require all employers to provide health coverage for employees, including laid-off and part time employees. Businesses that don't comply would be fined.

- Reduce utility rates by 20 percent.

- Establish a one-year moratorium on home foreclosures.

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BATTLE LINES already are drawn, generally with business groups (and Republicans) on one side, and labor groups (and Democrats) on the other, and with the \$10 minimum wage as the focal point.

The arguments are familiar:

Small business cannot afford higher minimum wage; they will drive profits down and prices up; fewer workers will be hired as jobs disappear; Michigan's anti-business reputation will grow costing potential new jobs.

Or:

Michigan workers need protections especially in these tough times; higher wages are good for the economy, not bad, because people have more money to spend; workers are entitled to a living wage plus other benefits; if we go to \$10 now, we won't have to increase again so soon.

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IT'S NOT EASY to get an amendment on the ballot, which is

the way it should be. Once anything is put into the state constitution, it can only be removed or modified by another amendment requiring another statewide vote.

More than 304,000 valid signatures are needed on amendment petitions. It's not clear whether Democrats intend to submit all five questions together, one at a time, include all five proposals, or even add more.

The 2010 Michigan election already is significant, with the top three statewide offices — governor/lieutenant governor, secretary of state, attorney general — without eligible incumbents because of term limits.

In the legislature, all 110 house seats and 38 senate seats are up for election, and term limits will create many open races. The legislature elected in 2010 will be in charge of reapportioning legislative and congressional districts in line with results of the 2010 census, and how districts are drawn will influence which party will control the legislature for the next 10 years.

Because of losing population in the 2010 census, Michigan's con-

gressional delegation likely will be trimmed by one or even two members, going from 15 down to 14 or even 13, and apportionment also will be vital here, too.

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THE DEMOCRATIC proposals — especially a \$10 minimum wage — certainly would inspire a heavy turnout on both sides, both for and against, but probably leaning toward Democrats.

One way for Republicans to counter that trend might be to put another amendment before the voters which has been discussed on and off, namely making Michigan a right-to-work state, which is an idea that unionists and many Democrats generally abhor while business interests and most Republicans might favor.

A \$10 minimum wage and a right-to-work law on the same ballot?

Now that would be an election that could write new records, both in spending and in voter turnout.

# # #

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## Letters to the Editor

### 21st century marketing strategy

To the editor:

I've noticed a rising level of agitation among folks regarding the modernization of Grayling's traffic infrastructure.

Most folks around here, including me, have this old fashioned idea that traffic should flow freely on main thoroughfares. The "new era street planners" see this traffic condition from a whole different perspective. What most of us amateurs see as a traffic jam, is seen by the "new era street planners" as an innovative marketing strategy.

Their idea is to lure the unsuspecting down state folks into town on two lanes of free moving traffic, then spring the trap and squeeze them down to one lane and virtual stand still right in the heart of our business district.

This is where phase two of the plan kicks in. Once those folks realize there is little chance of a timely escape, they will lose all sense of control, leap from their vehicles and start buying all sorts of things.

The fact that angry people will involuntarily grab for their purses and wallets and start buying things is a subtle reality that most of us amateurs tend to overlook.

I must admit a bit of jeal-

ousy for not being first to think of this marketing scheme, so in a bold attempt to grab a bit of the glory I would like to offer one added touch. How about putting a traffic roundabout at the intersection of Michigan Avenue and the business loop. The incoming folks would still have the perception of actually going somewhere while being spun into our business district thus making more room for even more unsuspecting customers.

The only flaw I can see in this otherwise stroke of genius is, how will the merchants get trucks in town to restock their shelves without falling into this financial vortex where they to could be spun off to Spike's parking lot?

Come think of it, that might just be the place to study this whole marketing strategy.

One more peripheral benefit, our local bump and paint shops would definitely see a spike in business and who knows, our plan could become a model for communities across the country.

Hey how about this, we could call it Drive Buy Stimulus.

Gary Ginther  
Grayling

### Angel Food has new opportunity

To the editor:

Grayling has a new wonderful opportunity to buy Angel Food.

You no longer have to purchase the premium boxes to get the specials.

The steak and grill boxes are great. Most are vacuum packed and will store well for some time in the freezer.

This new opportunity will

take effect in August.

We are still giving a free regular box in a monthly drawing.

From June of 2008 to June of 2009 1,610 boxes were purchased in Grayling.

Janet Gildner, Director  
Angel Food Program  
Grayling

### Consumers do not want to pay for sprinklers

To the editor:

Michigan's homebuyers do not need others to make their decisions for them.

Sadly, major manufacturers of fire sprinkler systems have formed the Home Fire Sprinkler Coalition with the intention of forcing the purchase of their product through the International Residential Code because there is simply no consumer demand for their wares.

A 400 person survey conducted in February of 2009

by the Communication Research Institute of east Lansing, found 82% preferred keeping sprinklers optional. Moreover, 37% said they would not want to have fire sprinklers regardless of cost.

Sprinkler manufacturers will not accept the fact that consumers do not want to pay for sprinklers when they are offered as an option and they overwhelmingly oppose mandates requiring them. That is, of course,

why they have launched a nationwide campaign to take the choice away from consumers by mandating the installation of sprinklers in all new homes and townhouses.

The Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Growth should reject the sprinkler proposal that is before it.

Chuck and Erin  
Holzhausen  
Higgins Lake

### Put efforts towards working smoke alarms

To the editor:

Mandating sprinklers for all homes nationwide or in any jurisdiction has not been demonstrated to be a cost effective improvement to fire safety in homes meeting today's residential building code requirements.

Over the past 20 years, residential fire fatalities and injuries have declined and continue to decline. This shows advances in construction practices and materials found in Michigan's con-

struction codes. The increases prevalence of smoke alarms and fire prevention and education efforts are working.

This decline is even more impressive when you consider the growth in the state's population and housing stock over that 20-year time span.

This trend will continue as more new housing stock is constructed to replace older, less safe units and as the maintenance of home

smoke alarms by families improves.

From 2000-2006, 93 percent of all fatal residential fires occurred in homes without working smoke detectors.

Rather than mandate sprinklers, let us put our efforts toward making sure every home has working smoke alarms.

Koreen Hobbs  
Houghton Lake

### Home sprinklers could save lives

To the editor:

I do not agree with the opinions of the people who are against installing sprinkler systems in new homes.

It is obvious that you have not lost someone you love in a house fire. I believe that lives could be saved.

Some people, due to the nature of their schedules

they keep at work, wear earplugs and have music going when they go to sleep and would not be able to hear the smoke alarm.

And yes, people do let the batteries run out, but if it was your loved one that died because of the batteries wouldn't you want these sprinklers to save their

lives? The cost would not matter anymore.

Rural areas are especially in need because of location and time that it takes for a volunteer fire department to get there.

Please think about it.

Cheryl Alandt  
Tucson, Arizona

## What Do You Think?

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# Briefs

## COA Out to Lunch at East Jordan

The Out to Lunch Gang of the Grayling Senior Center, 308 Lawndale St., will be going to East Jordan on Aug. 13. There will be a trip to Raven Hill Discovery Center and have lunch with the Charlevoix County Senior Center. They will leave the senior center at 11:30 a.m. The cost for the trip is \$15 and includes transportation, center admission and lunch. The bus leaves the center at 8:30 a.m. Call for 348-7123 for reservations.

## Benefit bake sale to be held

A benefit bake sale for Arvy Pepsin, will be held at Growlers Pub on Saturday, Aug. 8 at 1 p.m. to 7 p.m. She will undergo surgery for a brain tumor and has no insurance and has six children. Food donations will also be accepted for the family. For more information, call 344-2345.

## COA to go to hog roast

The Grayling Senior Center, will be going to Wellington Farm Park, 6771 S. Military Rd., for a Hog Roast on Friday, Aug. 7. Dinner will be served from 4 p.m. - 6 p.m. and includes pork, baked beans or corn on the cob, cole slaw, cornbread and cinnamon apples. Entertainment will be provided throughout the event, bring your own lawn chair. A donation of \$5 per person is suggested. Call for 348-7123 for reservations.

## Sheriff to attend township meeting

Sheriff Kirk Wakefield will attend the Lovells Township meeting on Tuesday, Aug. 11, at 7 p.m. He will be there throughout the meeting, and if necessary, remain afterwards for additional questions or comments.

## Secretary of State to close

The Secretary of State offices will be closed on Friday, Aug. 7 and SUPERCenters will close on Saturday, Aug. 8, due to mandatory state employee furlough days.

## Legion Auxiliary to hold meeting

The American Legion Auxiliary will hold their meeting on Aug. 12, at 2 p.m. at the American Legion Hall.

## Meeting for "Baby Pantry" to be held

The next meeting to discuss the "Crawford County Baby Closet" will be Aug. 12, from 8:30 a.m. - 10 a.m. at Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church. For more information, contact Lisa Burmeister at 688-8612.

## VFW Post #3736 to hold meeting

The VFW Post #3736, and the Ladies Auxiliary, will hold their monthly meeting on Tuesday, Aug. 11, at the American Legion Hall. The ladies auxiliary will hold their yearly inspection at 6:30 p.m. and 7 p.m. for VFW. All officers need to be present. Call Deb Nemeth at 348-4128 with questions.

## Service for MIA and POW to be held

The Forgotten Eagles motorcycle club will hold a memorial service for all MIA and POW on Friday, Aug. 7, at 11 a.m. at the American Legion Post #106, Grayling. The public is invited to the service.

## CASA fall soccer registration open

CASA fall soccer registration is open until Aug. 10, for children ages 4-19. Forms and information are available at X-press Copy Center or graylingsoccer.org. Rec. league fees are \$40 per player, \$80 for 2 players and \$100 for 3 or more players. Travel league fees are \$50 for each player. Contact Mary LaVigne at 348-4168 with questions.

## TEFAP to be distributed

TEFAP will be passed out Aug. 10, from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. at St. Francis Church.

## Lovells Bridge Walk to be held on Aug. 15

Lovells is holding their 18th annual Lovells Bridge Walk on Saturday, Aug. 15.

Breakfast will be served from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. and at noon the parade and walk will begin in the heart of Lovells.

A pot luck lunch will begin at 1 p.m. and hotdogs, brats, water and pop will be available for sale.

Buttons, shirts and hats

will also be available for purchase. There will be a drawing from numbers that are on the back of the buttons all day for prizes.

Other events include children's games and prizes, and 50/50 drawings.

Music will be provided courtesy of Randy Long.

All proceeds will go to support the Lovells Fire and EMS Departments.



Bill Jamerson will perform music, songs and stories at Hartwick Pines State Park.

## Hartwick Pines to feature "Songs of the Lumberjacks"

Plan now to be at Hartwick Pines State Park on Saturday, Aug. 8, at 7 p.m., at the amphitheater at the Logging Museum, to hear Bill Jamerson's program "The Songs of the Lumberjacks." This program consists of music, songs and stories of Michigan's White Pine Lumber Era and is sponsored by the Logging Museum at Hartwick Pines, a field site of the Michigan Historical Museum, and the Friends of Hartwick Pines.

Learn about the lumberjacks and how they lived by a code and endured harsh working conditions.

This program includes foot stomping jigs to soulful ballads that will tug the heart. Some of the most colorful characters in Michigan history are the lumberjacks who lived and worked in a world of their own. Learn about the many different jobs the men did; find out why the camp cook was so important; and how the men entertained themselves at night.

Jamerson is a former award winning filmmaker, whose best-known work is Camp Forgotten, The Civilian Conservation Corps in Michigan. Besides "Songs of the Lumberjack," he has previously presented "Songs of the CCC" at both Hartwick Pines and at the CCC Museum at North Higgins Lake State Park.

In the event of rain, the program will be at the Michigan Forest Visitor Center.

Hartwick Pines State Park is located on M-93 (Hartwick Pines Rd.), two miles east of I-75, exit 259. There is no charge for this program, but a state park motor vehicle permit is required for entry into the

## Raffle Winners

### Grayling Lions Club

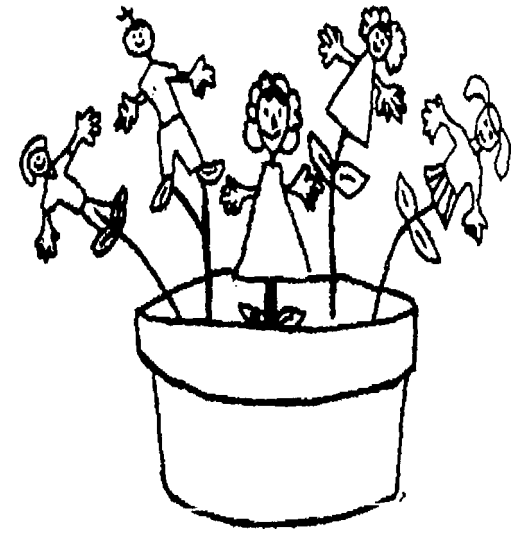
The winner of the Grayling Lions Club Lucky 13 raffle for July 31 was P.J. McNamara.

### Grayling Youth Booster Club

The 50/50 raffle winners for July 26 of \$25 each; Jan Thorne, Brenda Swanson and Cathy Holton, the winners for Aug. 2 were: Jan Thorne and J.D. Golec.

## GRAYLING CO-OP PRESCHOOL

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# The Bible Speaks

## Paul's Passion for Souls

Paul started in Romans 9:1-3 by revealing his burden for the Jews: "I say the truth in Christ, I lie not, my conscience also bearing me witness in the Holy Ghost, 2That I have great heaviness and continual sorrow in my heart. 3For I could wish that myself were accursed from Christ for my brethren, my kinsmen according to the flesh." Paul continued this burden in Romans 10:1,2: "1Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is, that they might be saved. 2For I bear them record that they have a zeal of God, but not according to knowledge." In Romans 10:1 we shall study Paul's evangelistic heart for the Jews.

The heart's desire of Paul to save the Jews was evident in all the stoning, beating with rods, imprisonment on many occasions, false accusations before authorities, ridicule and slander he endured without giving up his love and burden for their souls. He showed no signs of being embittered, vengeful, or vindictive even in the face of death. May we follow the example of Paul. May we follow the words of the song, A Passion for Souls: "Give me a passion for souls, dear Lord, A passion to save the

lost; O that Thy love were by all adored, And welcomed at any cost." The chorus says: "Jesus, I long, I long to be winning Men who are lost, and constantly sinning; O may this hour be one of beginning, The story of pardon to tell."

Beyond Paul's passion for souls, we see Paul's prayer for souls. "1Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is, that they might be saved." Like Moses who prayed to God for his people in Exodus 32:10-13. As Samuel prayed for his people in 1 Samuel 12:23: "23Moreover as for me, God forbid that I should sin against the LORD in ceasing to pray for you: but I will teach you the good and the right way." Paul knew that prayer was the hope of the nation in 2 Chronicles 7:14: "14If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land."

Last, we see Paul's purpose for Israel, "...that they might be saved." As Proverbs 11:30 says, "30The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life; and he that winneth souls is wise." As Peter said in Acts 4:12: "12Neither is there

salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved." "9Who hath saved us, and called us with an holy calling, not according to our works, but according to his own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began." (2 Timothy 1:9). "5Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost." (Titus 3:5).

As Paul stated in the theme of the book in Romans 1:16,17: "16For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek. 17For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, The just shall live by faith." My friend no matter what your race, nationality, financial or educational status, religious background or anything else, Jesus Christ is your only hope for eternal salvation. Pastor "B"

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## Obituaries

**Fredric A. Reichelderfer**  
Fredric Alton Reichelderfer, 66, of Grayling, passed away on July 31, 2009.

He was born in Wyandotte, on July 22, 1943, to the late Forrest and Erma (Mauren) Reichelderfer.

He married the former Martha Szymanski on February 15, 1969, at St. Mary's Church in Alpena.

He was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church and Knights of Columbus.

He was previously a volunteer firefighter for Grayling Fire Department, an EMT, worked as Skyline Ski Patrol and was a member of Grayling Youth Boosters.

He is survived by his wife Martie, of 40 years; sons, David "Super Dave" (Jeanne) Reichelderfer of Grayling, Paul (Shannon) Reichelderfer of Wyoming; grandchildren: Megan, Emma and Andrew Reichelderfer; aunts, uncles and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his parents. A Mass of Christian burial was held at St. Mary's Catholic Church of Grayling on August 5, 2009, at 11:00 a.m., with Father Peter officiating.

Condolences may be sent to [www.sorenson-lockwood.com](http://www.sorenson-lockwood.com). Arrangements made by Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home.

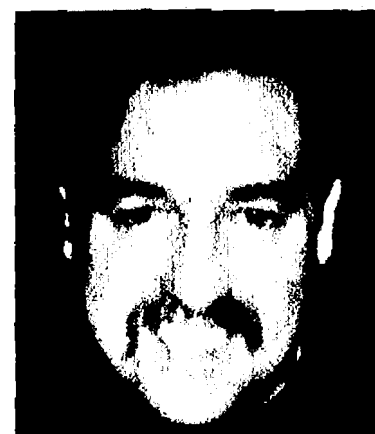
### In Memory of

In memory of Jerry Elekonich, July 16, 1951 - Aug. 9, 2008.

It seems like only yesterday that God took you away from all that loved you. Everyday I think of you and look at your picture.

You are missed so much by everyone that loved you.

Your wife Denise, children, step-children, grandchildren, mom, brother and sisters



**Mark C. DeBusschere**

Charles DeBusschere, 49, passed away on July 23, 2009, after fighting a courageous battle with leukemia.

He was born in Detroit on January 3, 1960.

He graduated from Southfield High School in 1978.

He was an avid fisherman and hunter. He was drawn to northern Michigan and moved to Lake Ann in 1989. Several years later he settled in Grayling, where he raised his two children, Connor, age 12, and Cassidy, age 11.

He is survived by his children; loving sister, Susan DeBusschere - Gill of Gaylord; brother, Paul DeBusschere (Kim); and many nieces, nephews, cousins, aunts and friends. Most recently, he was a salesman for McNamara Ford where he leaves behind many friends.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Susan (O'Connor) DeBusschere; father, Alfred DeBusschere; and sister, Patricia DeBusschere-Boyd (Roger).

A memorial will be held at 2 p.m. on Aug. 8 at 1482 Woods and Waters Trail, Traverse City.

### Ralph Ostling

Ralph Ostling, 82, of Roscommon, passed away at his home on July 29, 2009.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. on Thursday, Aug. 6, at Messiah Lutheran Church in Roscommon.

Arrangements made by Walsh Funeral Home, Roscommon.



**Shirley Clark**

A Celebration of Life for Shirley Clark, RN, Obstetrics Nurse, will be held at 2 p.m. on Saturday, August 8, in the Healing Garden at Mercy Hospital, Grayling.

### Hazel Gartside

Hazel Canfield Gartside went to see God on July 27, 2009, after a courageous battle with cancer.

She was born on July 8, 1941, to John and Hyacinth Canfield.

She graduated from Grayling High School in 1959 and shortly thereafter moved to Baltimore, Md. It is there that she met and married Tom Gartside.

They worked at Westinghouse until retirement and had 36 happy years together.

She is survived by her husband; brothers: John (Sue), Dan and friend Carolyn, Lyle (Geneva), Andy (Gloria), Ben (Nita); sisters: Shirley Hatch and friend Milton, Ruby McDougall, Christine Fishell (Daryl), Sandy Pelton and friend Rick, Marcia Canfield and friend Dave; many nieces, nephews and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; sister, Joanne; and brother, Lawrence.

### In Memory of

In loving memory of Kenneth Jacobs, March 10, 1942 - Aug. 3, 2007.

It's been two years since God called you home, but you left us many beautiful memories. Your love is still our guide, and though we cannot see you, you are always by our sides.

Our family chain is broken and nothing seems the same, but as God calls us one by one, the chain will link again.

The Jacobs family

### In Memory of

In memory of Harry Bly, Aug. 10, 2002.

Dear husband, son, father and grandfather.

Death leaves a heartache no one can heal. Love leaves a memory no one can steal. Seven years have passed.

Sadly missed by his family

## Church Directory

**Christian Science Society**  
209 First St. - Suite 103 - Gaylord  
(989) 732-7001

Sunday Service ..... 10:30 am  
April through October

2nd & 4th Wednesday ..... 7 pm  
Sunday School ..... 10:30 am

**Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church**  
Pastor: Dr. William A. Cargo  
400 Michigan Ave. - (989) 348-2974  
[www.michelsonmemorial.org](http://www.michelsonmemorial.org) - Barrier Free  
Traditional Service ..... 9 am  
Coffee Hour ..... 10 am  
Sunday School (preschool-3rd grade) ..... 11 am  
Adult Sunday School ..... 10 am  
Praise & Worship Service ..... 11 am  
(Childcare Available)

**Seventh Day Adventist**  
Pastor: David Jorgensen  
(989) 348-1909 • Services held Saturday at  
Camp Ausable off M-72 East. (1st building on right inside camp entrance)  
Saturday Church Service ..... 9:30 am  
Saturday Sabbath School ..... 10:30 am  
Tuesday Prayer Meeting ..... 7 pm

**Lovells Community Chapel**  
(Bible based and non-denominational)  
Pastor: Larry Hankins  
8133 Bald Hill Rd. - Lovells  
(989) 348-2701  
Sunday School (youth & adult) ..... 9:30 am  
Morning Worship ..... 11 am  
Wed Prayer & Bible Study ..... 7-8 pm

**Grayling Free Methodist**  
Pastor: Rick Secord  
6652 M-72 West - (989) 348-9093  
Early Service ..... 8:30 am  
Sunday School ..... 10 am  
Morning Service ..... 11 am  
Prayer Meeting (Wednesday) ..... 7 pm

**Emma Lowery United Church of Christ**  
3474 West Park Road, Luzerne  
Sunday Worship ..... 11 am  
Adult & Youth Sunday School ..... 9:30 am

**Heritage Baptist**  
Pastor: Ernie Wagner - (989) 348-5558  
[heritagebaptist-grayling.org](http://heritagebaptist-grayling.org)  
1841 Hartwick Pines Rd.  
(1/4 mile west of I-75)  
Sunday School ..... 9:45 am  
Morning Worship ..... 11 am  
Afternoon Worship ..... 12:45 pm  
Wednesday ..... 7 pm

**Grayling Assembly of God**  
Pastor: Gary Wojdan  
701 S. I-75 Business Loop  
Parsonage (989) 348-7466  
Sunday School ..... 9:30 am  
Morning Worship ..... 10:30 am  
Evening Service ..... 6 pm  
Family Night Adult-Youth-Children (Wed) ..... 7 pm

**The Church of Christ with the Elijah Message**  
7662 Kelly Ave., Frederic  
Sunday Worship ..... 10 am

**Westminster-By-The-Lake**  
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Sunday Worship ..... 11 am

**St. John Lutheran (ELCA)**  
710 Spruce Street - (989) 348-5224  
Sunday School ..... 9:15 am  
Sunday Worship ..... 10:30 am

### Burning Bush Tabernacle



501 E. Michigan Ave.  
• Grayling •

**First Baptist Church of Frederic**  
Pastor: Dale Hammond

Sunday School ..... 9:45 am  
Morning Worship ..... 11 am  
Evening Worship ..... 6 pm  
Wed. Prayer & Bible Study ..... 7 pm

**Unity Church of Today North**  
Minister: Terry Dickinson  
Virtual Church - an E-mail Bible Study available at [ilmsd@freeway.net](http://ilmsd@freeway.net)

**Luzerne Baptist**  
Pastor: James Durfee • 2247 Durfee Lane  
Sunday School ..... 10 am  
Sunday Morning Worship ..... 11 am  
Sunday Evening Worship ..... 6 pm  
Wednesday Bible Study ..... 7 pm

**Burning Bush Tabernacle**  
Pastor: Patricia Petrie - (989) 348-1278  
501 E. Michigan Ave., Grayling  
Sunday School ..... 10 am  
Sun. Service, Children's Church & Youth Service ..... 11 am  
Sunday Evening Service ..... 6 pm  
Monday Prayer Meeting ..... 7 pm  
Wednesday Service ..... 7 pm  
Friday Prayer Meeting ..... 7 pm  
(van transportation available)

**Community of Christ**  
Pastor: Ann Doty • North Down River Rd. at 1030 Glenn Rd. - (989) 348-9751  
Church School ..... 9:45 am  
Preaching ..... 11 am  
Midweek Service Prayer ..... 7 pm

**St. Mary's Roman Catholic Community**  
Pastor: Robert W. Nalley, J.V.  
Parish Office - 707 Spruce  
(989) 348-7657  
Saturday Evening Masses ..... 4:30 pm  
Sunday Masses ..... 10 am

**St. Francis Episcopal**  
Reverend: Elizabeth Chace  
M-72 West - Office (989) 348-5850  
Morning Prayer Tue-Fri ..... 8:30 am  
Eucharist (Wed) ..... 8:30 am  
Sunday Holy Eucharist ..... 8:30 & 10:30 am

**Resurrection Life Center**  
Pastor: Bud & Debbie Mann  
Mail: 2640 M-72 West Grayling, MI 49738  
[reslifecenter.com](http://reslifecenter.com) • Phone: (989) 348-1000  
Sunday Service ..... 10:30 am  
Midweek Services (Wed) ..... 7 pm  
E-mail: [reslifefellowship@hotmail.com](mailto:reslifefellowship@hotmail.com)

**Mt. Hope Lutheran Church (LCMS)**  
905 N. I-75 Bus. Loop  
(at junction of M-93 & Old 27)  
(989) 348-5921  
Sunday Worship Service ..... 10:30 am  
Sunday School ..... 9:15 am

**Calvary Baptist Church**  
Pastor: Dr. Robert Barnett

M-72 West, Grayling - (989) 348-9220  
Sunday School ..... 9:45 am  
Morning Worship ..... 10:30 am  
Evening Worship ..... 6 pm  
Wednesday ..... 7 pm  
Prayer & Awana Club (Wed) ..... 7 pm

**Church of Christ**  
Old US-27 at Skyline Rd. - (989) 275-8613  
In Search of the Lord's Way Sunday Mornings on TV 29 & 8  
7:30 am  
Sunday Classes ..... 10 am  
Sunday Worship ..... 11 am  
Sunday Evening ..... 6 pm  
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Midweek Bible Study (Wed) ..... 7 pm

**Abundant Life Tabernacle**  
Pastor: Lyle Studer  
211 Shellenbarger St. - (989) 348-5325  
Sunday School ..... 10 am  
Sunday Worship ..... 11 am & 6 pm  
Wednesday Evening ..... 7 pm

**Grayling Baptist Church**  
Affiliated with S.B.C.  
Pastor: Fred Seidler - (765) 543-7988  
705 Madsen St., Grayling - (989) 348-2557  
Sunday School ..... 9:45 am  
Morning Worship ..... 11 am  
Evening Service ..... 6 pm  
Wednesday Service ..... 7 pm

**Bear Lake Christian**  
Pastor: David Rosenberg  
Associate Pastor: Scott Hoffer  
M-72 & East Bear Lake Rd.  
Sunday Church Service ..... 10 am - 6:30 pm  
Sunday School ..... 9 am  
Bible Study (Wed.) ..... 6:30 pm  
Youth Group 2nd & 4th Wed. .... 6:30 pm

**Church Alive Church of God**  
Pastor: David Barker  
506 North Birch St., Kalkaska  
(231) 258-3448  
Sunday School ..... 10 am  
Worship Service ..... 11 am & 6 pm  
Family Training Hour & Prayer (Wednesday) ..... 7 pm

**St. Martin Ev. Lutheran (WELS)**  
Pastor: Adam Seelow  
The Roscommon Community Center,  
510 South St., Roscommon, MI 48653  
Phone number (989) 275-3070  
Sunday ..... 9 am

**Friendship Church**  
A Christian Reformed Ministry  
Pastor: Rev. Dick Oberg  
415 Ohio North, Gaylord  
Sunday School ..... 9 am  
Morning Worship ..... 10 am  
Tue. Women's Bible Study ..... 10 am  
Wed. Men's Bible Study ..... Noon

**Frederic Worship Center**  
6464 Old U.S. 27 Frederic  
Pastor: Gary Thompson  
(989) 422-3464 • (989) 348-5712  
Sunday Service ..... 11 am

**The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints**  
President: David Stephenson  
600 North Elm Street, Gaylord  
Sacrament ..... 10 am  
Sunday School ..... 11 am  
Primary ..... 11 am  
Priesthood ..... Noon  
Relief Society ..... Noon

**Grayling Evangelical Free Church**  
Pastor: Dave Schultz  
6251 W. M-72 Hwy, Grayling, 989-600-1293  
(Near Westside Diner)  
[pastordave@graylingefreechurch.org](http://pastordave@graylingefreechurch.org)  
Sunday Night Bible Study 6:30 pm-8:30 pm  
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## Grayling Police Report

The Grayling City Police Chief reports the department handled the following complaints during the period of July 19 - Aug. 2:

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two fire responses, one felony arrest, one forgery, nine juvenile complaints, nine larceny complaints, two misdemeanor arrests, one misdemeanor citation, two motorist assists, three MDOP complaints, one personal injury accident, two private property accidents, one purchase permit, one stalking/harassment complaint, three suspicious situations, seven traffic accidents, one traffic control, seven traffic warnings, one VPHC (DRUGS) and 35 unclassified complaints.

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Scott) for all of your support during the marathon. You're the best! Thanks to all of you for running the banks

## Sheriff's Report

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield reports his office handled the following 118 complaints the week of June 27 - Aug. 2.

One missing person, 18 general non-criminal complaints, one delinquent minor, six false alarm activations, four assault/intimidation/stalkings, six larcenies, two damage to properties, one damage to property-private property, one marijuana possession, one obstruction of justice, 18 public peace/disorderlies, one OUIL/UBAL, two health and safeties, three miscellaneous criminal offenses, 15

traffic accidents, one accident-non-traffic, one traffic safety public appearance, one hazardous condition, one accident-all other, two lost and found properties, four family troubles-domestic, 14 suspicious situations, 13 driving violations/driving while license suspended and one driving on revoked/suspended license.

Sheriff Wakefield asks, "Do you know where your children are? Please remember, our children are our future."

For more information, log on to [www.crawfordsheriff.org](http://www.crawfordsheriff.org)

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This week's menu (lunch/dinner) and activities:

Friday, Aug. 7 - Lunch - original fried chicken, baked beans, coleslaw and an orange. 10 a.m. card golf, 1 p.m. Pantry Bingo,

4 p.m. - 6 p.m. Hog Roast at Wellington.

Saturday, Aug. 8 - Foot clinic, cost is \$15. Call 821-5428 for an appointment and bring your own towel.

Monday, Aug. 10 - Lunch - pork chop, glazed sweet potatoes, asparagus and applesauce. Dinner - Swiss steak, baked potato, pears and Prince Charles vegetable blend. 10 a.m. quilting, 1 p.m. Bridge, 3 p.m. - 6 p.m. Hearing Clinic.

Tuesday, Aug. 11 - Lunch - shepherd's pie, cauliflower and grapefruit. Dinner - liver and onions, fried cabbage with bacon, carrots and fruit cocktail. 10 a.m. Bible Study, 1 p.m. Euchre, 4 p.m. - 5 p.m. blood pressure/sugar checks.

Wednesday, Aug. 12 - Lunch - deluxe hamburger on a bun, lettuce and tomato, O'Brien potatoes and apricots. Birthday Dinner - baked ham, glazed sweet potatoes, Brussels sprouts, cake and ice cream. 1 p.m. pool league, 12:30 p.m. & 5:30 p.m. Menu Input Session, 5 p.m. Birthday Dinner.

Thursday, Aug. 13 - Lunch - lemon pepper chicken over noodles, winter blend vegetables, carrots and pears. Dinner - Swedish meatballs, mashed potatoes, cauliflower, broccoli and grapes. 8:30 a.m. - 2 p.m. OTL Discovery center, 10 a.m. craft class, 2 p.m. UNO Attack.

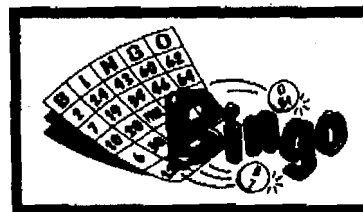
The Crawford County Commission on Aging's Senior Center is located at 308 Lawndale, behind Burger King in Grayling. Walk-ins are welcome.

### Card of Thanks

I would like to thank the man that came to my aid on Friday afternoon in town, when my foot was so bad. I certainly did appreciate your help.

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## Roby, Alijian engaged



Meagan Roby and Bradley Alijian

Brenda and Dennis Conzett, of Lovells, announce the engagement of their daughter, Meagan Roby to Bradley Alijian of Livonia.

Meagan was a previous student at Grayling High School and is a 2005 graduate of Westland Christian Academy.

She is currently employed as the head waitress at Yesterdays Coney in Farmington Hills. She is a full time student at Schoolcraft Community

College as a psychology major. She plans to attend Wayne State University for the winter semester.

Brad is the son of Thomas Alijian of Wayne and Connie (Lanny) Robinson of Westland.

He is a graduate of Wayne Memorial High School.

He is employed and the owner of Yesterdays Coney in Farmington Hills.

A November 27, 2010 wedding is planned in Livonia.

## Range Firing

Small Arms Ranges located west of Lake Margrethe, north of Howe Rd., east of the gas pipeline and south of Portage Creek, Aug. 13-19.

Range 12, located south of the main post, bounded on the east by Carrier Rd., and west of Beaver Creek (Military Rd.), Aug. 17-19.

Range 15, located south of the main post, bounded on the west by Cadillac Rd. and on the east by Carrier Rd., Aug. 13-17.

Range 17, Hand Grenade Range, located south of the main post, north of Carrier Rd., east of Range 13 and west of Beaver Creek (Military Rd.) Aug. 19.

ARF Range, located west of Lake Margrethe, north of Howe Rd., east of the gas pipeline and north of Portage Creek, Aug. 13-18.

Range 20 and 21, Demolition Ranges located south of Howe Rd., west of the Crawford County Line, north of Daniels Rd. and east of the gas pipeline, Aug. 17-19.

The Range 40 Complex, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Sherman Rd., south of Old State Rd. 618, and west of county Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.), Aug. 13-149.

The Range 40 Complex, Air to Ground, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south

of Old State Rd. 618, and west of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.), Aug. 13-19.

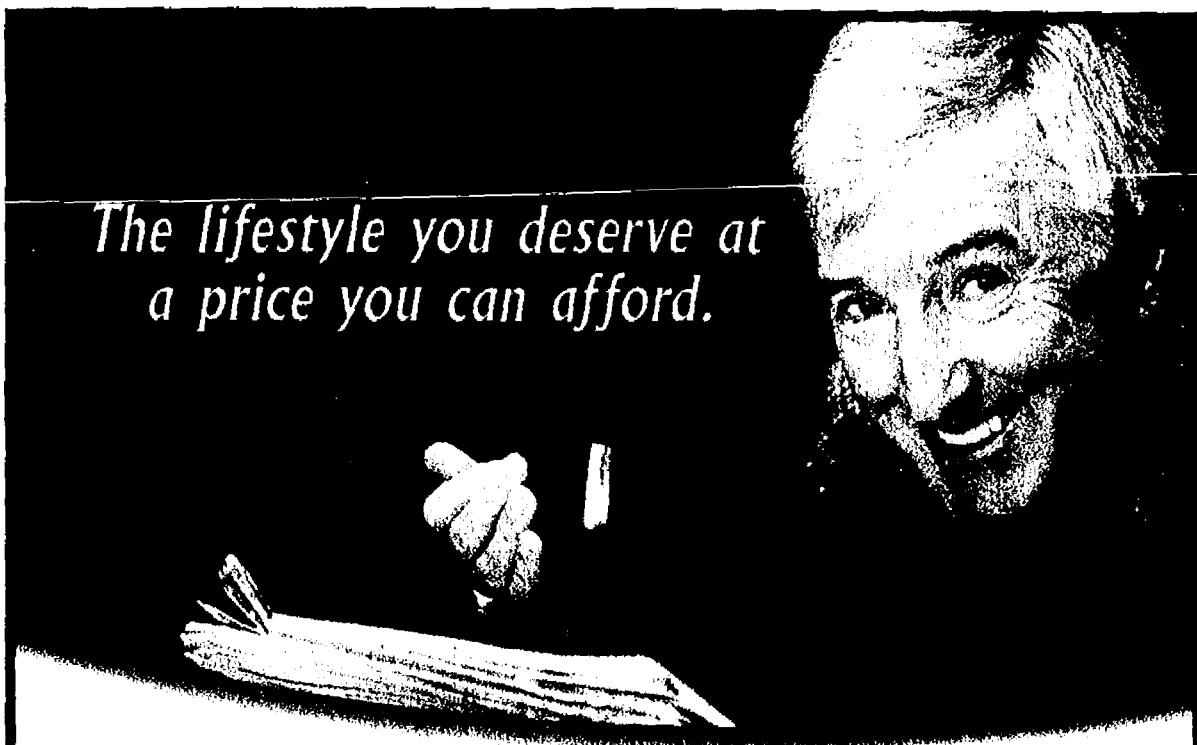
The Range 30 Complex, located north of North Down River Rd., east of Jones Lake Rd., south of County Rd. 612, and west of Bald Hill Truck Trail, Aug. 13-19.

In addition, the following roads will be closed on: Bucks East-West Truck Trail from Jones Lake Road to Bald Hill Truck Trail, Ketchum Truck Trail from Bucks East-West to N. Down River Rd., Stephan Bridge Rd. from County Rd. 612 to N. Down River Rd., Wakeley Bridge Rd. from County Rd. 612 to N. Down River Rd.

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## Charlie's Country Corner employee sports pink mohawk for Relay for Life

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Gingerick said she saw some people step back, take second glances and even heard some unsettling remarks when she had the purple hair, but she wasn't about to go back on her word when it came to getting the pink mohawk.

"It's kind of a lot to go through for a bet, but I wouldn't back out of it," she said. "You make a bet, you've got to pay."

Gingerick received her new hairdo at Ginger's Family Style Shop in Grayling, and allowed a Crawford County Avalanche reporter to tag along.

The purple hair from the sides of her head was buzzed off, the mohawk was shaped and her hair was bleached. Then, the pink dye was applied and her hair was dried.

Gingerick's neighbor Cindy Lane, and her grandson, Dylan Messenheimer, were also on hand as Ginger Helsel cut, clipped and dyed the hair.

"We're watching the big event," Lane said.

Gingerick said she wanted to stress her unique personality and thanks for her co-workers support for Relay for Life, whether that be through words, hugs, jokes or the spiked locks on her head.

"This really emphasizes that," Gingerick said. "She doesn't play with a full deck."

Helsel said that Gingerick has been a unique customer, receiving the only purple and pink hairdos outside her regular customer base.

"She has a very big heart," Helsel said.

Messenheimer and Lane joked that Gingerick may want to try out different colors for the mohawk, but Gingerick said pink is as far as she is going with experimental hairdos.

"I like my salt and pepper hair," she said.

Lane, who works at Goodale's Bakery, compared Gingerick's hair to dessert topping.

"It looks like strawberry Cool Whip," she said.

Messenheimer clicked off photos with a disposable

camera. He said he wanted to be sure to have one of the photographs available for show and tell when he starts the school year at Grayling Elementary School as a fifth grader.

"I am going to have to go into work and say 'I need the day off for show and tell and I'm it,'" Gingerick said.

Dennis Palmer, the owner of Wimpy's Ice Cream and Coney's, slipped into Helsel's chair for a quick clip and cut as Gingerick's hair was drying.

"What are you going to do with that beard?" Helsel asked Palmer, who retired after serving as the manager for the Grayling Army Airfield last year. "Have you ever thought of dying it pink?"

Gingerick is taking part in the 2009 Relay For Life of Gratiot County on Saturday, Aug. 7 at Breckenridge High School. She is joining her daughter, Julie Hoffman, on a Relay for Life team called "We Soar."

Gingerick said she was slated to take her Relay for Life laps in the evening hours.

"We'll see if I glow in the dark," Gingerick said.

Hoffman was aware that her mother was getting the pink Mohawk last week, but the new hairdo was a surprise for her brother, Mark Gingerick, who lives in Grayling.

"He'll look up at you and shake his head," Helsel said.

Helsel said that she could start a new advertising campaign with Gingerick's stylish hairdo.

"I could put a little thing out front that says this is the do of the day," Helsel said.

"Or this is what happens

when you make a bet," Lane added.

Gingerick joked that she might start a trend in the community.

"I'm going to start a new fad in Grayling," she said.

After getting her hair done and dyed, Gingerick visited the employees at Charlie's Country Corners and Fick and Son's Inc., the owners of the travel center.

"I'm such a sexy mama now," Gingerick joked as she paid her surprise visit to Charlie's Country Corner.

"If you make bets here, that's what happens," said Charlie's Country Corner sales associate Stephanie Wakeley, as she was training new employee Ken Albright.

All joking aside, Gingerick expressed her heartfelt thanks for all the effort her co-workers put into her Relay for Life Campaign. She said Fick and Sons cooperate employees and regular truckers who frequent the travel center were critical to the success of the campaign.

"I'm just really proud of you guys and I'm very thankful you did this and I can't emphasize that enough," Gingerick said.

Charlie's Country Corners regularly takes part in national and community campaigns for various causes.

"We're a bunch of fun girls and we do a lot for charity," Gingerick said.

Gingerick said she was prompted to take part in Relay for Life to join people around the world in celebrating those who have survived cancer, remembering people lost, and supporting the lifesaving mission of the American Cancer Society.

Both sides of Gingerick's family have been touched by cancer. Her sister, Nancy Martin of Hartland, is a 20-year cancer survivor. Vivian Koch, the mother of her late husband, Clarence "Louie" Gingerick, who died in a construction accident nine years ago, died from cancer. Louie's sister, Donna Malinowski, also died from cancer. Another of Louie's sisters, Sarah Beck, of Roscommon, is a cancer survivor.

"I don't want to see kids have cancer," Gingerick said. "It's just hair. It doesn't make the person."

Donations from Relay for Life Events held throughout Michigan and the nation go into the same pool of money for the American Cancer Society.

Kelly Powell, director of Capital Area Service Center for the American Cancer Society, expressed gratitude for all Relay for Life volunteers in all areas of the state. The Capital Area Service Center for the American Cancer Society coordinates the 2009 Relay For Life of Gratiot County.

"All funds raised for Relay for Life go into one pot and all that money goes to help people get well, stay well, find cures and fight back," Powell said.

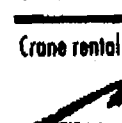
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## Camp Grayling monument dedicated to honor 225th Infantry Detroit Light Guard

by Dan Sanderson  
 Staff Writer

A monument to recognize one of the oldest military units in the State of Michigan was unveiled at Camp Grayling last week as the Michigan Natural Guard capped off its annual training.

A memorial dedication honoring the service of the 225th Infantry Detroit Light Guard was held by Camp Grayling's Chapel on Friday following Gov. Jennifer M. Granholm's Pass and Review of the troops.

The Detroit Light Guard had a total of 162 years of service to Detroit and the nation - from 1830 to 1992. The military lineage of the unit, however, dates back to July 23, 1701 when Detroit and the Detroit Militia was established by Antoine Cadillac.

Because Detroit's garrison only contained a small number of soldiers, the militia was formed from the first settlers to back up the regular troops.

In 1805, Michigan became a separate territory and the Michigan Militia Act was approved. An independent company was formed in Detroit as the "Legionary Guard." All able bodied men were required to join.

In 1936, the Detroit City Guards were reorganized to become the Brady Guards, taking their name after Gen. Hugh Brady, the commander of the Federal Garrison in Detroit. The Brady Guards were highly disciplined, skilled in manual arms and on the drill field. They became skilled marksmen on the rifle ranges of Fort Wayne. Men had to be apply to be part of the unit.

"You has to pay your dues to stay in and you had to accepted by the officers," said Retired Mst. Sgt. Richard Hutchins, a former member of the Detroit Light Guard, military historian and author.

During the Spanish-American War - 1846 to 1848 - the Brady Guard See CAMP 11A



Photo by Dan Sanderson

On Aug. 31, 1992, the 1st Battalion, 225 Infantry Detroit Light Guard was deactivated, converted and redesignated as the 1225th Corps Battalion. The unit's colors and battle streamers were retired. Above, Spc. Karl Matthews of the 1071st Maintenance Co. displays the flag, colors and battle streamers for the 1225th Corps Support Battalion along with the State of Michigan flag.

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# Camp Grayling monument dedicated

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joined the First Michigan Regiment and headed for Mexico. The men left at home replaced the regular Army troops at Fort Mackinac and Fort Brady in Sault Ste. Marie.

The First Michigan Regiment saw no action in Mexico, and faced only hard marches in the desert and shortages of drinking water. Michigan lost 200 men to disease and never fired a shot.

"When the Brady Guard returned home, they had lost the spirit and enthusiasm that had made them one of the finest militia units in the state," Hutchins said.

Members of the Brady Guard appeared in uniform for the last time for the funeral of Gen. Brady in 1851. Detroit would not remain without a militia unit, being served by a Grayson Light Guard.

In 1855, the Grayson and former Brady Guard members reorganized to become the Detroit Light Guard, holding the the high standards of their predecessors.

In 1861, after Fort Sumpter was fired to start the Civil War, President Abraham Lincoln called for troops to help put down the rebellion. The First Michigan Infantry Regiment was formed. The unit took its first casualties at the Battle of Bull Run.

"They stood and fought and refused to leave until ordered," Hutchins said.

After the battle, several members of the Detroit Light Guard would serve in other Michigan units and commanders would lead other Army units in significant battles.

The Detroit Light Guard's flag featured a Tiger Head since 1878 and the Detroit

Tigers got their nickname and insignia with permission from the military unit.

"We didn't steal it - we let them use it," said Retired Brig. Gen. Stanley J. Wilk.

During the Spanish American War in 1898, the Detroit Light Guard, now the size of a battalion, was divided into regiments. One of the regiments saw action in Cuba with the 33rd Michigan Regiment.

During World War I, the Detroit Light Guard serviced with the 125th Michigan Infantry. The troops served in France and were some of first soldiers to cross into Germany when the Armistice was declared.

During World War II, members of the Detroit Light Guard saw action in the Battle for New Guinea in the South Pacific.

From 1959 to 1974, the Detroit Light Guard was reorganized from being an infantry unit, to an airborne unit to a mechanized unit. In 1975, the Detroit Light Guard was assigned to the 46th Brigade, 38th Infantry Division. In Feb. 15, 1992, the troop was relieved from the 46th Brigade.

Burton Francisco, director of the joint staff for the joint staff for the Michigan National Guard, served with the all infantry divisions assigned to the 46th Brigade, said some of his leadership skills were learned while working along with the Detroit Light Guard.

"The always told to be brief, be brilliant and be done," Francisco said.

On Aug. 31, 1992, the 1st Battalion, 225 Infantry Detroit Light Guard was deactivated, converted and redesignated as the 1225th Corps Battalion. The unit's colors and battle streamers

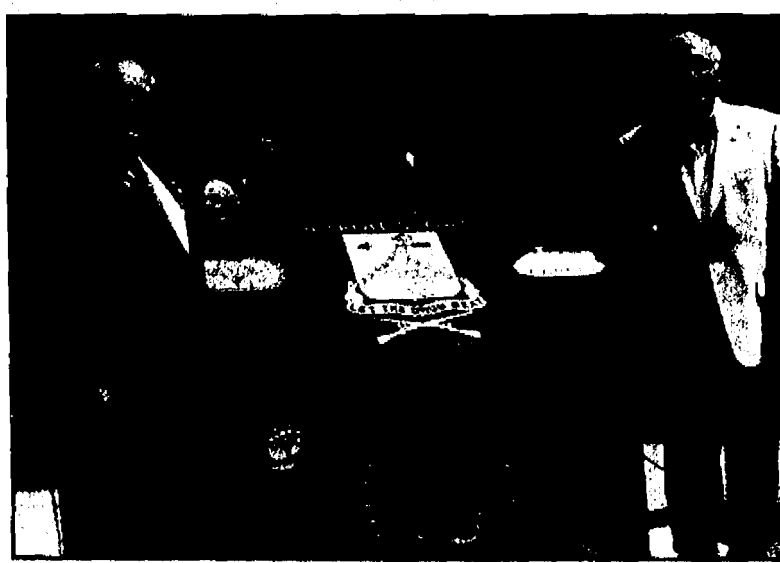


Photo by Dan Sanderson

A memorial dedication honoring the service of the 225th Infantry Detroit Light Guard was held by Camp Grayling's Chapel on Friday following Gov. Jennifer M. Granholm's Pass and Review of the troops. Above, Retired Brig. John Kurrell (left) and Retired Brig. Gen. Stanley J. Wilk (right) are pictured next to the monument.

were retired.

"It was a sad day, especially for those who spent so many years with the unit," Hutchins said.

Wilk said it had always been a dream to have a monument dedicated to the Detroit Light Guard since the first monument was placed by Camp Grayling's Chapel in 1982.

"What a difference - I never thought I would see the day," Wilk said. "It really remembers the people. They went through a lot, they fought a lot of battles and they lost a lot of people."

Retired Command Sgt. Mag. Guerin Kilgore shared the same sentiments.

"Since they took our colors, this just means a lot and shows the dedication of the unit," Kilgore.

The monument was funded by the Detroit Armory Corporation, a non-profit organization established by the Detroit Light Guard, which funds several military

projects and causes. The Detroit Armory Corporation helped fund the construction of Camp Grayling's Chapel.

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Nancy

My name is Karen. Over 2 1/2 years ago I came down with joint & muscle pain that was very painful. It turns out I have fibromyalgia. I tried another chiropractor in town & didn't get good results. Then I came to the Health Zone. With massage and chiropractic treatment, I improved greatly and am able now to do most things with minimal pain. I was doing better over all, but after Dr. Lucas showed up things went from good to great. I appreciate his help. The massage & chiropractic have been a God Send for me.

Karen

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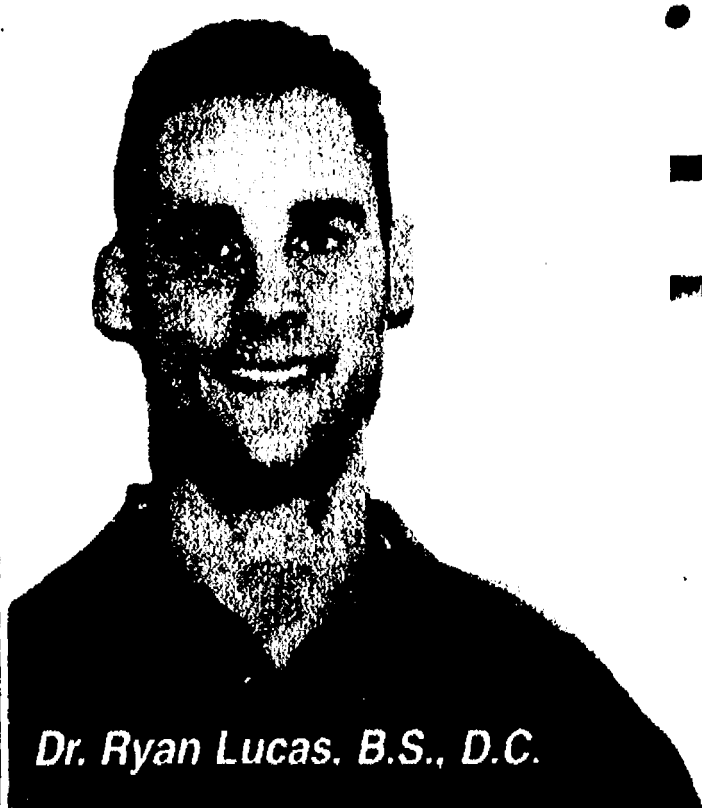
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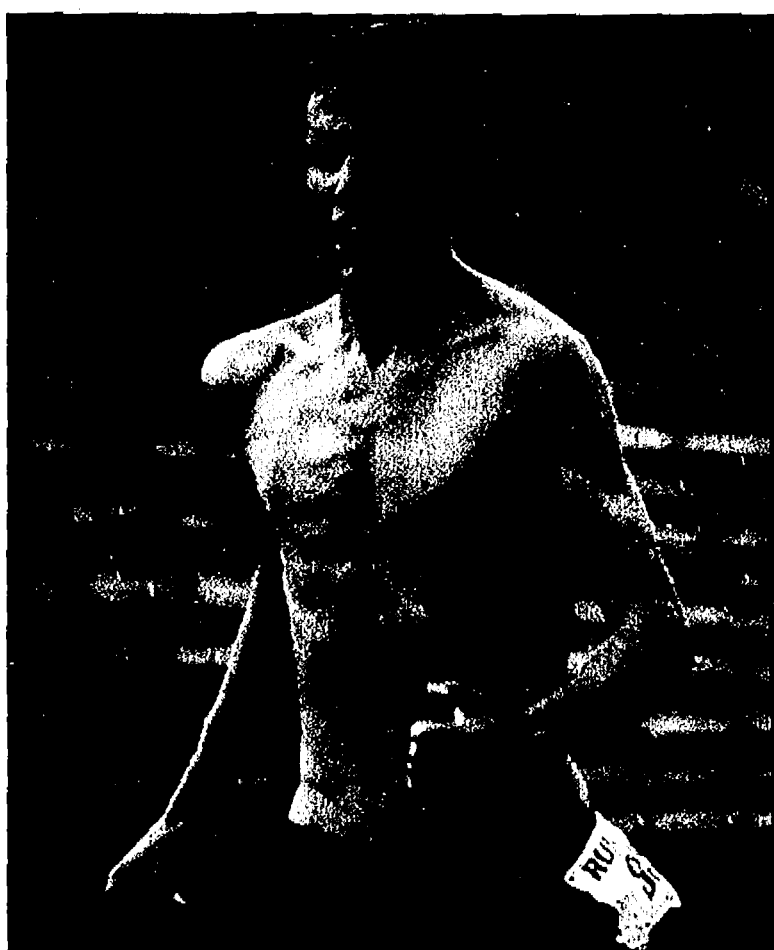


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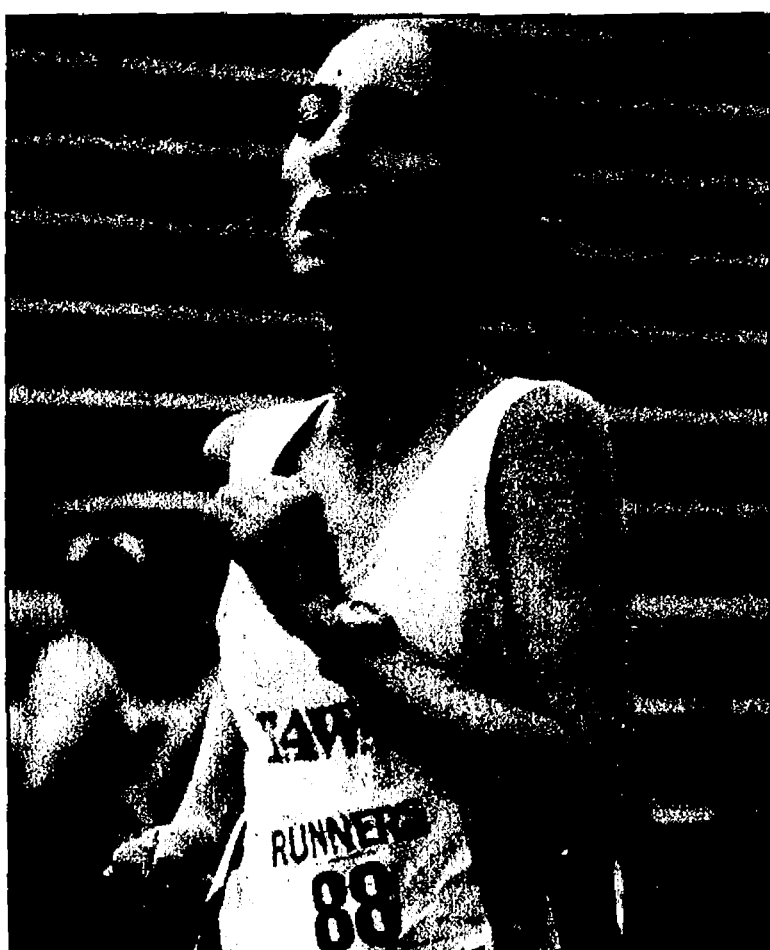
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Runners leave the starting line at the Grayling High School track during the 2009 GRA 10K on Saturday, July 25.



Nathan Peters, left, crosses the finish line in the rain during this year's GRA 10K. Emily Short, right, approaches the finish line. Peters and Short won the male and female divisions, respectively, during this year's race.



## GRA 10K has strong turnout despite rain

131 runners take part in annual foot race

by Caleb Casey  
Senior Staff Writer

The 2009 GRA 10K – an annual foot race conducted by Grayling Recreation Authority during the AuSable River Festival – featured one of its largest group of participants in recent years, despite early morning rain showers.

This year's GRA 10K, held on Saturday, July 25, featured 131 participants. The race began at the Grayling High School track (inside the football stadium) and used part of the Grayling Bicycle Turnpike – a paved trail for nonmotorized traffic.

"Our numbers were up," said Justin Andre, GRA Director. "We were probably up about 20 people from last year. I thought (the rain) would have had more of a negative effect, but we had probably the highest number since we've been



Kelly Stumpmier finishes the GRA 10K.

doing it at the high school." Andre said the rain actually made for decent conditions for the runners.

"The cooler temperatures and a little bit of rain were perfect for distance running," he said.

The overall winner of the male division was Nathan Peters with a final time of 1:14:44.

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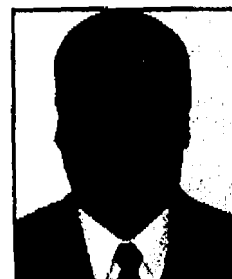
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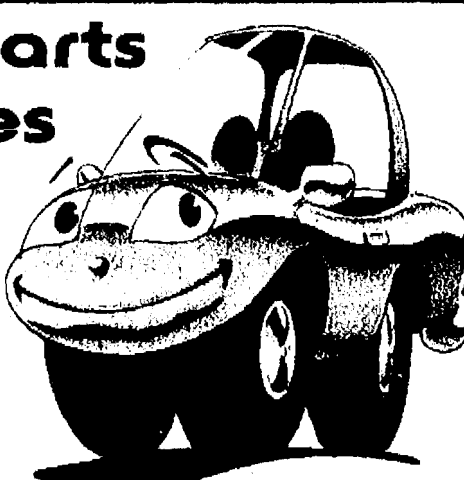
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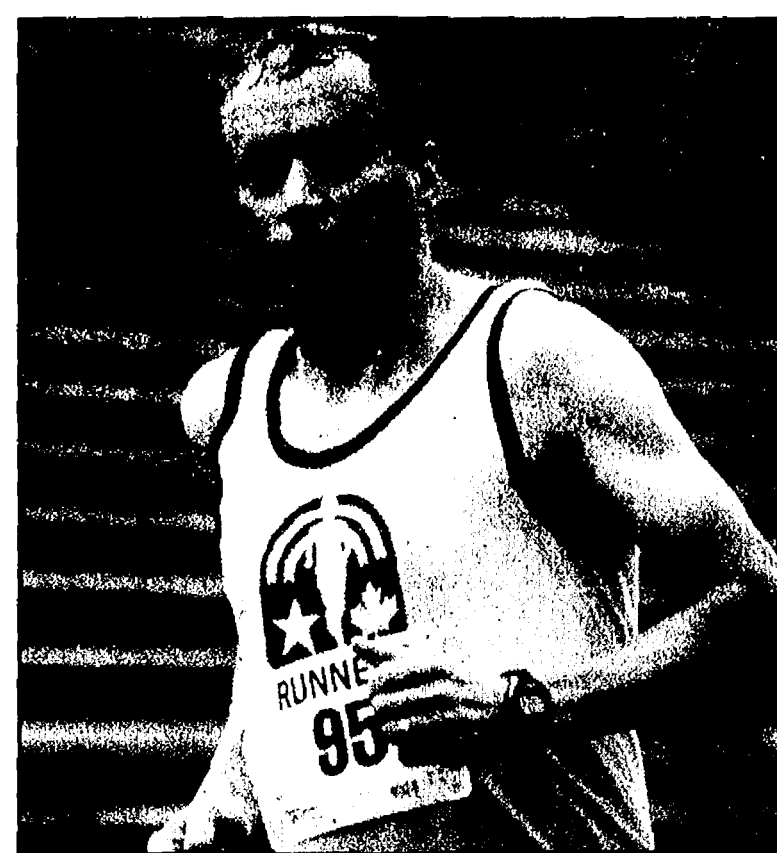
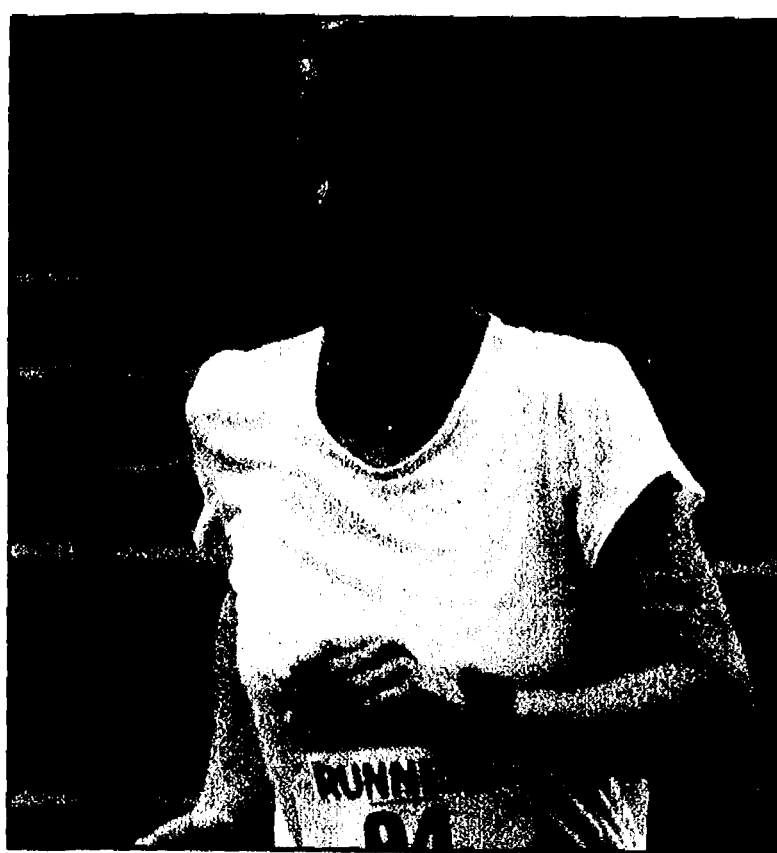
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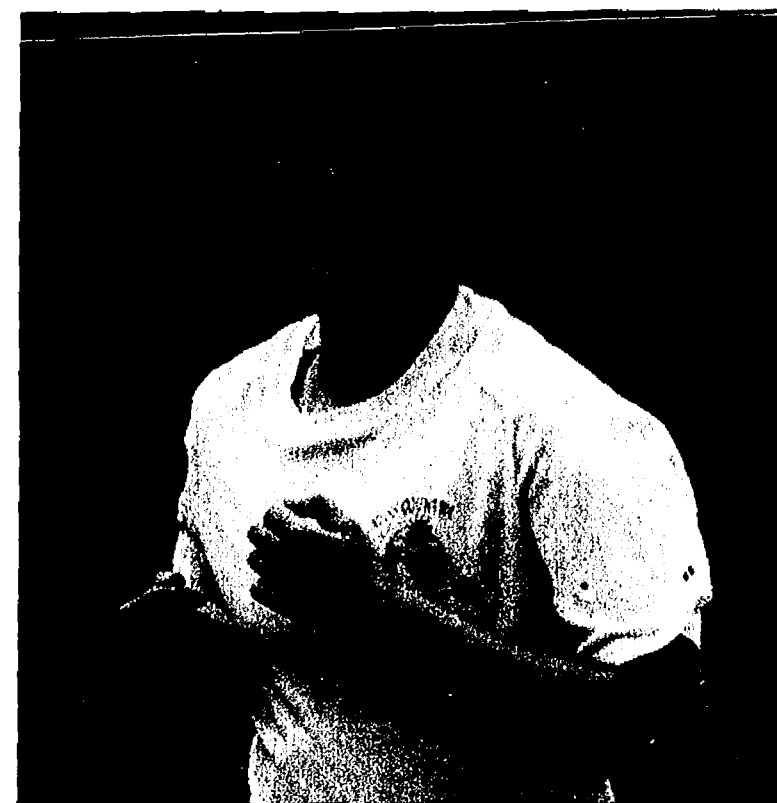
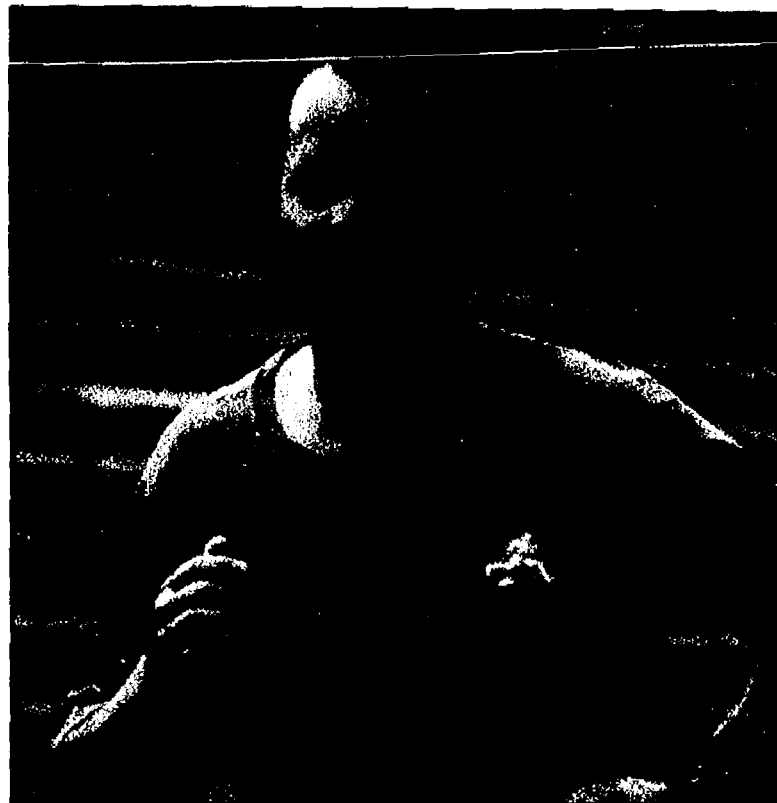
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Trish Duley, left, and Mark Jurkovich, right, compete in the GRA 10K on Saturday, July 25.



Paul Owen, left, and Madeline Verklan, right, approach the finish line.

## GRA 10K has strong turnout despite rain

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0:32:38. Emily Short finished first overall in the female division with a time of 0:43:35. Both runners were from the 15-19 age group.

Division winners, according to Grayling Recreation Authority, were:

14-under (male) Tristan W. Starks, 0:49:13; (female) Kelly Kerwin, 0:49:23;

15-19 (male) Jason Drudge, 0:34:49;

(female) Marissa Stephens, 0:43:38;

20-29 (male) Lee Fowler, 0:40:34;

(female) Alisa Fowler, 0:49:21;

30-39 (male) Jason Griffith, 0:43:32;

(female) Samara Sabin, 0:45:16;

40-49 (male) Paul Owen, 0:40:38;

(female) Amy Short, 0:46:17;

50-59 (male) Steve Seager, 0:39:07;

(female) Linda Morris, 0:52:03;

60+ (male) Curtis Wells, 0:47:11;

(female) Patrica Vincent, 1:20:44.

Complete results of the 2009 GRA 10K are available at Grayling Recreation Authority's Web site: [www.hansonhills.org](http://www.hansonhills.org).

GRA will host a seven-mile Endurance Trail Run at Hanson Hills Recreation Area on Saturday, Aug. 22, at 9 a.m. Cost is \$15 (register prior to Aug. 21) or \$20 (race day registration). All participants will receive a custom T-shirt.

## Fox Run Golf

Thursday Ladies League

The standings for Thursday, July 30, are as follows.

In Flight 1, the wins were Freer and Longendyke with 31, Upton and Ferguson with 26, Ostling and McKindles with 19, Hall

and Marshall with 15, Gust and Griffin with 24 and Coors and Lederman with 11. Gust had a low net of 30. Ferguson had a birdie on holes # 3 and #6 and Upton had a chip-in birdie on hole #3.

In Flight 2, Finkbeiner and DiPonio had a score of 29, Koutnik and Summerix had 25, Baker and Baldwin had 18, Davis and Adolph had 14 and Baetens and Bradley had 11. Sullivan had a low net of 30.

In Flight 3, the team of Nester and Close came in with 35, Hanson and Walper with 29, Patchin and Deloge with 22, DeMassa and Willikins with 15, Patrik and Febey with 15 and Kelsey and Funky with 10. Patchin had a low net of 33.

**Tuesday Couples League**

The standings for

Tuesday, July 28, are as follows.

In Flight 1, the wins were the Koutniks with 52, the Fergusons with 48, the Gusts with 48, the Griffins with 42, the Uptons with 41, Coors' with 41, the Ledermans with 34 and the Halls with 30. S. Griffin had low net of 33 and T. Coors had low net of 32. T. Coors had a birdie on hole #1 and #3 and J. Lederman had a birdie on hole #7.

In Flight 2, the wins were the Finkbeiners with 57, the Davis' with 53 the Adolphs with 52, the McNallys with 43, the Peltons with 37, Neil/Hritz with 35, the Febeys with 29 and Hanson/Elliott with 28. D. Pelton had a low net of 33. J. Pelton had low net of 30. P. Adolph had a birdie on hole #7.

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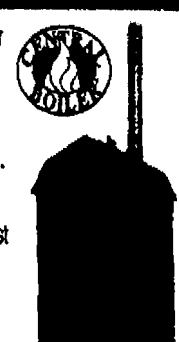
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Jacob Cochrane and Mason Krey, left, and Jake Small and Dan Bertalan, right, approach the finish line at Burton's Landing.

## 23 teams race to Burton's during Casey Challenge youth canoe race

Twenty-three teams in five different age divisions raced from Borchers AuSable Canoeing to Burton's Landing during the annual Casey Challenge youth canoe race on Friday, July 24.

The final standings, by division, were:

### Boys 12-13

1) Zack Cheney and Jake Hinkle, 1:10:41; 2) Carson Burmeister and John Hilbrecht, 1:11:07; 3) Scout Tobin and Darin Nicholas, 1:15:40; 4) Carly Duncley and Phillip Duncley, 1:17:22.

### Boys 14-15

1) Evan Korneli and Trevor Dewitt, 1:04:07; 2) Wesley Dean and Levi Korneli, 1:07:00; 3) Christopher Phillips and Keenan Harris, 1:08:34; 4) Jakob Hoover and Brandon Handrich, 1:10:31; 5) Zac



Teams from the girls 12-14 age division leave Borchers during the start of this year's Casey Challenge.

Bidwell and Joe Schwartz, 1:10:32; 6) Jacob Cochrane and Mason Krey, 1:11:53; 7) Zach Mack and Jeff Enos, 1:13:07; 8) Thomas Burrell and Jared Carlisle, 1:41:31.

### Boys 16-17

1) Tyler Hanson and Cameron Wakeley, 1:00:30;

2) Jake Small and Dan Bertalan, 1:09:42; 3) Cody Elmy and Joe White, 1:11:05; 4) Eric Ferrigan and Shane Grove, 1:48:07.

### Girls 12-14

1) Naomi Kolka and Shelby Golnick, 1:14:49; 2) Jesse Harez and Ayla Bogie, 1:20:43; 3) Whitney Schans

and Madi Gabriel, 1:23:43; 4) Danielle Nelson and Hillary Moore, 1:35:25.

### Girls 15-17

1) Kerri Camp and Olivia Peters, 1:15:12; 2) Iva Haven and Melissa Kalonich, 1:22:06; 3) Allie Barber and Katie Fitzpatrick, 1:24:07.

## Grayling Country Club News

by Donna Thomson

### Wednesday Ladies on the Links

Our Wednesday ladies have not had the greatest of weather for our weekly play and on July 22, it drizzled for a while and a lot of girls went home, so we had to declare a rain day, so now we have two rain days to make-up for.

Today, July 29, it was so very beautiful with blue skies, puffy white clouds and a gentle breeze and even though a lot of the girls were tired from the long weekend of festivities, we all went out and enjoyed our great day. There is still a bit of coolness that wants to hand around and not let us have a real "summer" day.

But today even with a sweater on in Flight A, Donna Thomson had a low net of 33 and Jeanette Kitchen had low putts of 15.

In Flight B, Diana Doremire had a low net of 28 and Juanita Brown had low putts of 13.

In Flight C, Debbie Periard had a low net of 31, while Carole Batway and Ann Latusek tied for low putts of 16.

We also had some chip-ins today, with Juanita Brown having two of them. One on hole #5 and the other on hole #8, while Gloria Neilson had hers on hole #4.

Then for lunch we had a nice spinach salad with

tomato, bacon, eggs and slices of red onion with French dressing and a roll. Later on, president, Kay Ellen King asked for our attention, while she then discussed our member-guest day to be held next week. A sheet was passed around for

all to sign-up, and the names of our guests. She also asked for members to bring in some appetizers and desserts to make it a special treat of all. I sure hope the weather cooperates, so our guests can see what a great time we have and maybe

consider joining us next year.

That's all "fore" now.

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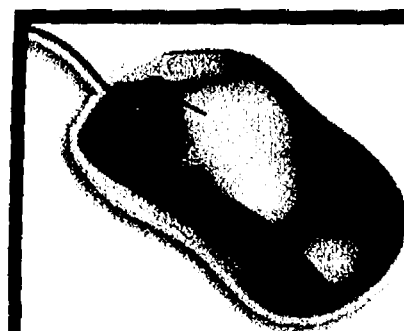
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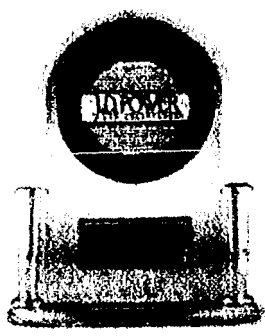
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## Judge elected to leadership position



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## Police respond to Saturday shootout

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weapons were safeguarded

and two individuals, one male and one female, were removed from the dwelling.

Officers then proceeded into a wooded area and made contact with two other individuals, one male

and one female, ordering them to drop the handgun they possessed. That handgun was then secured along with the the two individuals.

A total of eight weapons

- six handguns, one shotgun and one rifle - were confiscated and one male was taken into custody.

Alcohol was a factor in the incident, Wakefield said.

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## Honors

### Central Michigan University

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Honored students from Grayling are: Zachary Dean, Kathryn Koutnik, Alex McNamara, Nicholas Parkinson and Samantha Wakeley; and Joshua Menkes from Frederic.

## Legal Action

### FORECLOSURE NOTICE

FORECLOSURE NOTICE This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for this purpose. If you are in the Military, please contact our office at the number listed below. MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Kenneth L. Cox and Stacey D. Cox, Husband and Wife to Household Finance Corporation III, Mortgagee, dated November 19, 2004 and recorded November 30, 2004 in Liber 672 Page 690 Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Seventy Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy-Seven Dollars and Six Cents (\$170,877.06) including interest 8.73% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, Circuit Court of Crawford County at 10:00AM on September 9, 2009. Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Part of the Northeast one quarter of the Southeast one quarter of Section 31, Town 27 North, Range 3 West, Grayling Township, Crawford, Michigan:

Commencing at the East one quarter corner of Section 31, Town 27 North, Range 3 West; Thence South 89 degrees 48 minutes 53 seconds West along the East-West one quarter line 1322.9 feet; thence South 00 degrees 43 minutes 20 seconds West along the one eighth line 1107.68 feet for a point of beginning; thence continuing South 00 degrees 43 minutes 20 seconds West 221.76 feet; thence North 89 degrees 33 minutes 58 seconds East along the one eighth line 265.31 feet to the Westerly right of way line of Old Lewiston Grade; thence North 34 degrees 22 minutes East along said right of way line 267.93 feet; thence South 89 degrees 48 minutes 53 seconds West 413.88 feet to the point of beginning. Commonly known as 283 Lewiston Grade Rd, Grayling MI 49738 The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later. Dated: 8/06/2009 Household Finance Corporation III Mortgage Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 811 South Blvd. Suite 100 Rochester Hills, MI 48307 (248) 844-5123 Our File No: 09-11799 ASAP# 3210782 08/06/2009, 08/13/2009, 08/20/2009, 08/27/2009 -6-13-20-27

### NOTICE

### Grayling Charter Township to hold public hearing on township-wide special assessment for trash/recycling

The members of the Grayling Charter Township Board of Trustees will hold a second public hearing to hear public comment on the payment method of a township-wide special assessment for the purpose of trash disposal and recycling. The special assessment was established by board vote on July 15th, after an earlier public hearing when the majority of the attendees supported it.

The special assessment will eliminate the current trash disposal decal cost of \$60 purchased by the township public at the town hall, with a \$45 charge to all improved township properties as a separate line item on your winter tax bill. The annual decal would come to property owners in the tax bill envelope in late December.

This hearing is to decide how special exceptions will be handled, such as multi-family housing on one property, and commercial use.

A special assessment is not a tax. It is a charge for services established under Michigan state law (Public Act 188 of 1954, as amended).

The board of trustees will meet in the township board room on Tuesday, August 6th, at 10 a.m. to hear comments by the public. The final decision will be made at the regular August board meeting on Wednesday, August 19th. The township offices and boardroom are located at 2090 Viking Way, Grayling. If you can't attend the hearing, please write your comments and mail them to: Terry Wright, Supervisor; Grayling Charter Township, PO Box 521, Grayling, MI 49738.

Terry Wright  
Supervisor

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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on August 19, 2009. Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lots 17 and 18, Block 6, Karen Woods Subdivision, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 1 of plats, Page 44, Crawford County Records, and all that part of the following described parcel located West of Sweden Road and East of Lot 18: The Southeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 13, Town 26 North, Range 4 West, Grayling Township, Crawford County, Michigan, EXCEPTING that portion taken for Karen Woods Subdivision, and EXCEPT parcel of land described as: Beginning at the Northeast corner of Block 4 of Karen Woods Subdivision; Thence North 89 degrees 56 minutes East 307 feet to the 1/8 corner on section 11th of Section 13; thence South on Section line 561.8 feet; thence South 89 degrees 56 minutes West 316 feet to a point 165 feet East of the Southeast corner of Block 5 of said Subdivision; thence North 0 degrees 33 minutes West to point of beginning.

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Dated: July 23, 2009 For more information, please call: FC R (248) 593-1305

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Andrew S. Woolsey, single man and Everett Woolsey, a married man, as joint tenants with full rights of survivorship, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated June 29, 2006, and recorded on July 11, 2006 in Liber 682 on Page 322, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Two Thousand Seventy-One And 07/100 Dollars (\$52,071.07), including interest at 7.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on August 26, 2009. Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 10, Janice Manor, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 3 of Plats, Page 22, Crawford County Records The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: July 23, 2009 For more information, please call: FC R (248) 593-1305

Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For Servicer 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525

File #274576F01 -23-30-6-13

### NOTICE PURSUANT TO MCL 600.3205a(4)

NOTICE is hereby provided to Frank Bryant Jr, the borrowers and/or mortgagors (hereinafter "Borrower") regarding the property located at: 10190 Beech Ter, Grayling, MI 49738-9040.

The Borrower has the right to request a meeting with the mortgage holder or mortgage servicer. The agent designated by the

Mortgage Servicer and/or Mortgage Holder to contact and that has authority to make agreements under MCL sections 600.3205b and 600.3205c is: Trott & Trott, P.C., 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200, Farmington Hills, MI 48334-2525 at (248) 593-1305

The Borrower may contact a housing counselor by visiting the Michigan State Housing Development Authority's website or by calling the Michigan State Housing Development Authority at <http://www.michigan.gov/mshda> or at (866) 946-7432.

If the Borrower requests a meeting with the agent designated above by contacting an approved housing counselor within 14 days from July 31, 2009, foreclosure proceedings will not be commenced until 90 days after July 31, 2009.

If the Borrower and the agent designated above reach an agreement to modify the mortgage loan, the mortgage will not be foreclosed if the Borrower abides by the terms of the agreement.

The Borrower has the right to contact an attorney. The telephone number of the State Bar of Michigan's Lawyer Referral Service is (800) 968-0738. THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

Date: August 6, 2009 For more information, please call: FC R (248) 593-1305

Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For Servicer and/or Mortgage Holder 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200 Farmington Hills, MI 48334-2525 File # 268872F02 -6

### STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT CRAWFORD COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT - FAMILY DIVISION PUBLICATION OF NOTICE OF HEARING

File No. 09-7573-NC In the matter of PATRICIA COCKBURN TIGHE

TAKE NOTICE: A Hearing will be held on a Petition for Name Change

Date: Thursday, September 24, 2009 Time: 11:00 a.m.

Place: Crawford County Probate Court

Petitioner: Patricia Cockburn Tighe

Proposed Name: Patricia Helen Tighe

Date 7-14-09 Attorney name

Katrina Bonnell P56046 575 Court St., PO Box 216 West Branch, MI 48661 989/345-5229

Petitioner Patricia Cockburn Tighe 204 W. Loves Dr. Roscommon, MI 48653 989/275-8648 -6

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# Features

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## A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE



**August 7, 1986 - Howard Lehti is handing John Hones, manager at Al Bennett Ford, the keys to two new Ford Tempos. Jones and Al Bennett Ford lent the two new cars free to the Crawford AuSable School District's driver's training program. Lehti, head of the program, is returning the keys after the program was finished for the summer.**

### 23 Years Ago

**August 7, 1986**

The 4th annual Crawford County Fair opens Wednesday at a new site with two new buildings and a stage. All county residents and visitors to the area are invited to the new fairgrounds this week located near the intersection of M-93 and Old-27.

Construction tabbed at more than \$4 million is underway at Camp Lehman, according to camp supervisor Duane Cory. Footings are being poured for three 80-man barracks with individual rooms. A 40 by 100-foot multi-purpose room will also be added to the facility and a new kitchen will be built. Other improve-

ments include a paved road, sidewalks and a security fence. The new facility should be in use by mid-December.

Grayling Special Olympian, Chris Wylie belted two home runs to lead the Northland Tiger Cats to a 30-10 victory over Arenac County in their opening game of the 1986 Special Olympics softball season.

A public hearing on the proposed plan for the Deward Tract will be held on August 25 in the basement of the Crawford County Courthouse. The new plan calls for using gates, berms, fences and tree plantings to help close certain roads. The new plan also calls for closing

of some trails close to the river. The DeWard tract is a 4,720 acre block of land located around the county corner common to Antrim, Crawford, Kalkaska and Otsego counties with acreage divided as follows: Antrim (140), Crawford (2,470), Kalkaska (810) and Otsego (130). Private ownership is less than 500 acres and the rest is state forest land.

A county-wide millage for Hanson Hills was approved by a vote of 798-598 Tuesday. Voters passed the 1/4 mill request for two years.

### 46 Years Ago

**August 8, 1963**

In recognition of more than 10 years of service in government work, James C. Failing of Grayling was presented with an award on July 22. The award was made to Failing by Arlington D. Ash, District Engineer for the State of Michigan.

The Grayling High School Class of 1953 held a 10-year reunion on July 27 at the Chief Shoppenagons Motor Hotel. Mrs. Gene Rauch was in charge of arrangements for the reunion.

### 69 Years Ago

**August 8, 1940**

Grayling Mercy

Hospital hit an all-high record on Saturday, August 3, when four boys were born within four hours. A son, Erwin Leroy, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Norman Bancroft; Ronald Herbert is the name of the son born to Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Feldhauser; Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hosmer are the parents of Ronald Sidney; and Mr. and Mrs. George Skinner son was named Edwin Ray.

A little daughter arrived this morning at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Boger.

### 92 Years Ago

**August 9, 1917**

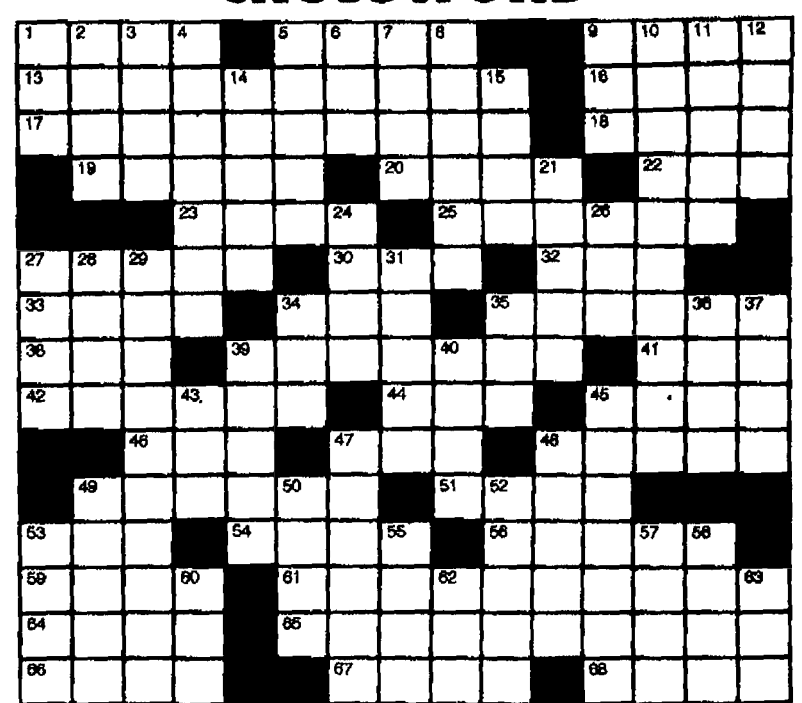
Reuben S. Babbitt is building a fine new home opposite the baseball grounds.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Sorenson and daughter of Detroit arrived Saturday for a 10-day visit with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Olaf Sorenson and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Fischer.

Mrs. Frank Visnaw and baby of Bay City are visiting friends in the city. Mrs. Visnaw will be remembered as Miss Minnie Love who taught for a few years in the schools near Frederic.

Farmer Knibbs is cutting wheat on the Ward farm.

## CROSSWORD



### Across

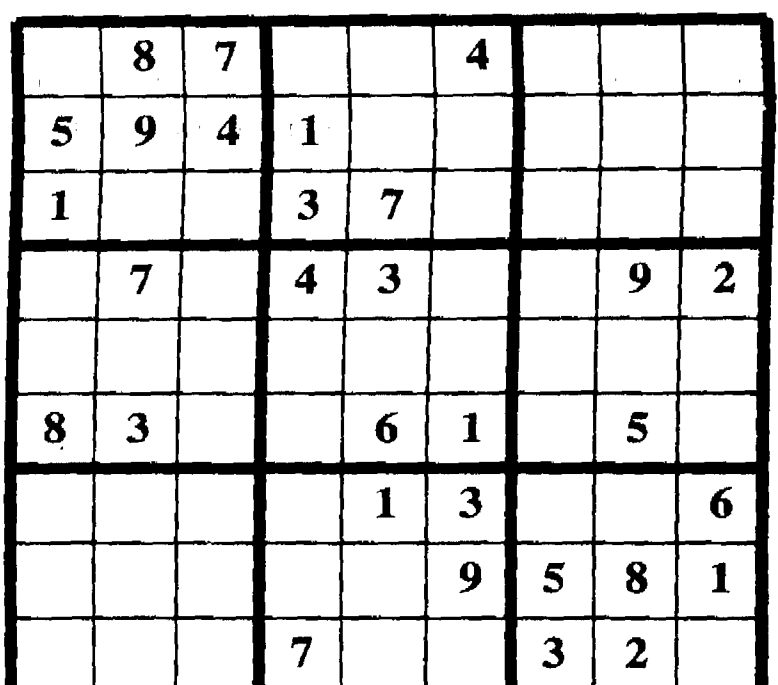
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5. Way, way off
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16. With nevertheless the final result
17. Characterized by repetition
18. \_\_\_ cheese
19. Invalidates
20. "Drill"
22. Diamonds
23. British tax
25. Birthplace of Solidarity
27. Church part
30. "Concentration" pronoun
32. "Welcome" site
33. Escape, in a way
34. Turbulent water with swells of considerable size
35. Physical attraction
38. Common Market initials
39. Top dog
41. \_\_\_ a chance
42. Retreat
44. Earlier in time than
45. Sean Connery, for one
46. \_\_\_ any drop to drink": Coleridge
47. Telekinesis, e.g.
48. Foreword, for short
49. Unlawfully delivered ball in cricket
51. Children's \_\_\_
53. Costa del \_\_\_
54. Heavy, durable furniture wood
56. Stiff flour pudding containing currants, raisins and citron
59. Andy's radio partner
61. Aggressive
64. Eastern music
65. Small container for holding salt at the dining table
66. Romantic interlude
67. Network of intersecting blood vessels, nerves or lymph vessels
68. Exile isle

### Down

1. \_\_\_ Town Too" (1981 hit)
2. Frosts, as a cake
3. Egyptian Christian
4. Patella
5. Awry
6. Meeting adequate standards for a purpose
7. Battery contents
8. Sack
9. \_\_\_ v. Wade
10. Not clearly defined
11. Remiss
12. Cluster of flowers in which the central or terminal flower opens first
14. Aquatic mammal
15. Advance
21. Street urchin
24. Caught in the act
26. Apprehend
27. Fishing, perhaps
28. Bottom of the barrel
29. Practical application of science to industry
31. Something that remunerates
34. Actor Alastair
35. Deception
36. It may get into a jamb
37. "Beetle Bailey" dog
39. Unit of measurement for the proportion of gold in an alloy
40. First part
43. Bungle
45. Breathing heavily through a congested nose
47. Flail
48. Accustom
49. Bedouin
50. Island rings
52. Bring out
53. Hindu garment
55. MacLachlan of "Twin Peaks"
57. Genesis event, with "the"
58. Fink
60. "Do the Right Thing" pizzeria owner
62. His "4" was retired
63. Victorian, for one

## SUDOKU

RULES: Fill all empty squares so that the numbers 1 to 9 appear once in each row, column and 3x3 box.



(PUZZLE #8 Very Hard, Difficulty Rating 0.90)

ANSWERS IN THE CLASSIFIEDS



# HOROSCOPES

For the week of August 6, 2009



**December 22-January 19**

You've come far in your health and fitness goals. Capricorn, but you still have a ways to go. The motivation you need will be found in an unusual place.



**March 21-April 19**

Some things are worth fighting for. Aries. Take a stand and don't back down. Travel plans go awry; get the help of those involved to put everything back on track.



**June 22-July 22**

An old friend becomes disillusioned with life. Cancer. Look for something unusual to break them out of the funk. A suspicion is confirmed. You know it!



**September 23-October 22**

Wake up and smell the coffee, Libra. That deal is not as good as it looks. Ask an expert to review it and then act. A memoir uncovers a shocking secret.



**January 20-February 18**

Yippee, Aquarius. Financial rewards are yours. Spend the money wisely and stick back any remaining. A rainy day is coming. The pace picks up a work.



**April 20-May 20**

Your freedom to come and go as you please is severely restricted this week when an auto issue occurs. Take it in stride, Taurus, and be resourceful. There are other ways of getting around.



**July 23-August 22**

Your energy wanes and a needy pal may be at fault. Put them on hold for a while, Leo, and take a break from the action. If you don't, things could go sour between the two of you.



**October 23-November 21**

Fantastic, Scorpio. You reach out to someone, and not only do they accept your help but they pay it forward. A health condition improves dramatically.



**February 19-March 20**

Live and let die, Pisces. There are more important issues to focus on besides petty issues between you and a family member. A letter pleases you to no end.



**May 21-June 21**

A young family member loses control yet again, Gemini. Take off the kid gloves and be brutal in your assessment. This is the only way to get their attention.



**August 23-September 22**

Nothing is going to get done if you don't step up the pace, Virgo. Act now and leave everyone in the dust! A film leads to serious introspection. Change is good.



**November 22-December 21**

You rarely pass the buck, Sagittarius, but you have no choice. You do not have the time or the skills to complete the task on time. Let someone else take a stab at it.

FOR ENTERTAINMENT PURPOSES ONLY

## ADOPT A PET

WE'RE OVERLOADED! The animal shelter is currently very full of animals in need of loving homes, just like yours. Help these very adoptable pets find homes. adopt today! Visit our web site for more information.



### SIS, STORMY & EMMIE

Sis, Stormy, and Emmie are looking for loving new homes. They are beautiful 3 month old mixed breed puppies.

Visit us at: [www.ausablevalleyanimalshelter.org](http://www.ausablevalleyanimalshelter.org)

AuSable Valley Animal Shelter

5786 Fairground Lane, Grayling

Use the entrance to the Crawford County Fairgrounds  
Hours: Open 10 to 3 pm Monday through Saturday,  
10 to 12 pm on Sundays and Holidays

After hour appointments available. Call (989) 348-4117

For more pets or more information, visit our web site [www.auscc.petfinder.com](http://www.auscc.petfinder.com)

## RECIPE OF THE WEEK

### BEEF STEAK FAJITAS

#### Ingredients:

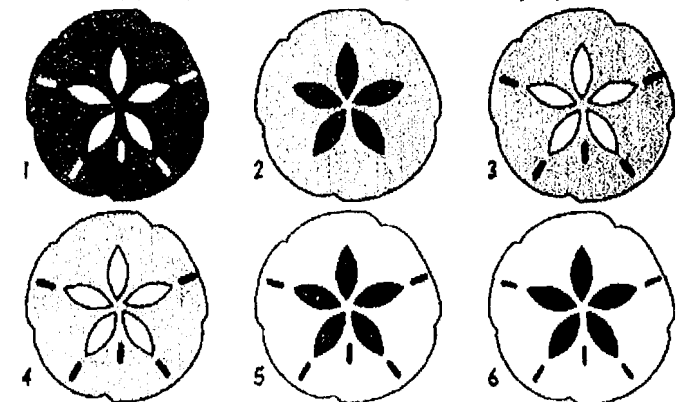
1 medium green or red pepper, sliced  
1/2 lb. beef sirloin steak, cut into thin strips

1 medium onion, sliced  
2 flour tortillas (7 inch)  
thick 'n chunky salsa (optional)

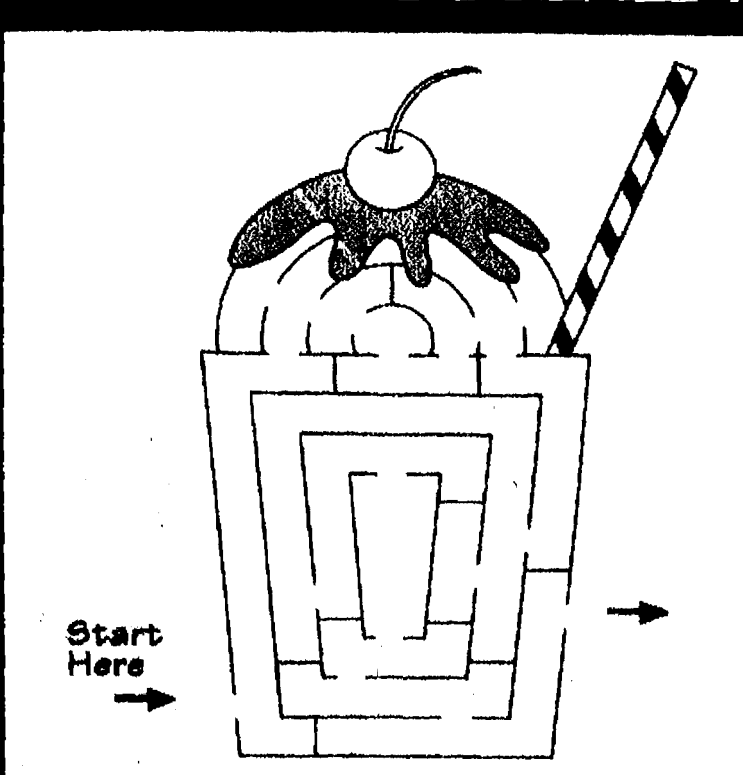
**Directions:** Cook and stir green pepper and onion in 1 Tbsp. oil in large skillet on medium-high heat 5 minutes or until crisp-tender. Add steak strips; cook and stir 3 to 4 minutes or until steak is cooked through. Topp tortillas with steak mixture; drizzle with salsa. Roll up.

## FIND THE TWINS

WHICH TWO ARE EXACTLY ALIKE?



## MAZE





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Classified by the word deadline - Noon, Tuesday

## 1. Real Estate

**VERY COZY** 2 bedroom, 1 bath home, fenced in backyard, garden area. Call Coldwell Banker Cornell Realty at 989-348-6481 MLS #253497, \$62,500. (-6/1)

**VERY NICE HOME** w/garage on canal on Manistee Lake. Three bedrooms, fenced yard and sprinkler system, 83' of frontage on Manistee Lake is 800' away. Call Coldwell Banker Cornell Realty at 989-348-6481 MLS #262977. \$150,000.00. (-6/1)

**2-3 BEDROOM** home for sale. Price reduced in July. (586) 446-0004, (586) 713-7500. (6/22/06tf/1)

## 2. For Rent

**VIKING VILLAGE CONDO** very nicely furnished, 2 bedroom, 2 bath, approximately 1 mile west of Grayling. Quiet community. Central air, forced air heat, natural gas, electric stove, dishwasher, fireplace, refrigerator, washer, dryer, 2 car garage, lawn care, snow removal, garbage pickup. Call Bob at 348-6025. (-6-13/2)

**COMMERCIAL BUILDING FOR RENT** Lots of parking, stand alone structure and good location. 989-348-8471. (1/15/09tf/2)

## 1. Real Estate

**Century 21**  
BUYING OR SELLING?  
REAL ESTATE QUESTIONS?  
call Pete Kocenas  
www.Century21Grayling.com  
989-344-1800  
Grayling

**RE/MAX** One Click Online Real Estate  
www.remax-grayling-mi.com  
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Grayling  
5728 M-72 West  
(989) 348-7440

## PUZZLE ANSWERS

### CROSSWORD

HICK AFAR RISC  
ECONOMICAL ONLY  
REPETITIVE EDAM  
STETS DANG ICE  
CESS GDANSK  
ALTAR EWE MAT  
SEEP SEA LIBIDO  
EEG KINGPIN NOT  
ASHRAM EPINE SCOT  
NOR PSI INTRO  
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AMOS INYOURFACE  
RAGA SALTCELLAR  
TOYIL RETE ELBA

### SUDOKU

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## 2. For Rent

**SENIOR APARTMENTS AVAILABLE** at The Brook Retirement Communities. Offering Independent and Assisted Living. Lots of amenities, activities, beautiful surroundings and affordable living. Communities located in: Houghton Lake (989) 422-7200 Roscommon (989) 275-4000, West Branch (989) 343-1400, Gladwin (989) 426-8700. Call or stop by today for a personalized tour. (5/10/2007tf/2)

**VIKING VILLAGE APARTMENTS** are now taking applications for immediate availability. Very nice two bedroom, two bath apartments approximately one mile west of Grayling off M-72. Units in this quiet community include central air conditioning, attached garage, paved lighted streets and driveways, stove, refrigerator, dishwasher, washer and dryer. Lawn care, snow removal and garbage pickup included in annual lease. Contact Herb Olson, at 989-348-9456, for more information. (03/26/09tf/2)

**2 BEDROOM MOBILE** with washer, dryer and appliances. No pets. \$425 plus deposit. 348-2418. (-6-13-20-27/2)

## 2. For Rent

**WHISPERING PINES APARTMENTS**  
Whispering Pines Apartments is currently accepting applications for 1-and 2-bedroom apartments. We are accepting applications for Seniors 62 years of age and older and Handicap/Disabled persons, regardless of age. Income-based rent is available. Apartments feature walk-in closets, air conditioning and open living areas. Rent includes heat, domestic hot water and more. For more information, or to tour the property, please call (989)344-0020.  
Equal Housing Opportunity. TDD 1-800-649-3777

**Grayling Pines Apartments**  
Grayling Pines Apartments is currently accepting applications for 1-and 2-bedroom apartments. Income-based rent is available. Apartments feature walk-in closets, air conditioning and open living areas and private patios/balconies. Rent includes heat, domestic hot water and more. For more information, or to tour the property, please call (989)344-0020. Equal Housing Opportunity. TDD 1-800-649-3777

Offered in Grayling by Gardner Management  
**Cobble Creek II Apartments**

Each unit has:  
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And much more!

Rent based on income!  
1 and 2 Bedroom  
Apartments Available!  
\*Barrier-Free Units  
\*Laundry Facilities

Now Accepting Applications!

989-362-4971  
TDD 1-800-760-1997  
Income restrictions apply

## 2. For Rent

**FOR RENT** 3 bedroom, 2 bath on three acres, \$650 plus deposit. 810-225-0395. (-30-6/2)

**FOR RENT** 2 bedroom apartment upstairs in downtown Grayling. Lease plus security deposit. 989-348-2833. (-6-13-20-27/2)

**APARTMENT FOR RENT** 1 bedroom and bath \$550/month, \$550 security deposit. with discount. Includes water and heat 760-567-5536. (-6/2)

**2 BEDROOM APARTMENT** in town within walking distance. Newly renovated, clean and neat throughout. 989-732-3828. (-3-6/2)

**2 BEDROOM 1 BATH** home in paved subdivision 3 miles from Higgins Lake State Park. 2 car garage. All appliances. Pets negotiable. No smoking. References, will check credit. \$600 mo/\$600 deposit. Rent/buy options. 989-821-3139. (-16-23-30-6-13-20-27-3/2)

**BIG HOUSE AND CABINS** at Lost Acres 4 bedroom log home \$575, plus utilities. Cabins from \$375, w/ FREE utilities. 11010 N. Old 27, No pets. 1-877-227-6976 or call Mike at 231-590-3699. More details at www.qualityhomerentals.net (Northern Michigan Units). (7/23/09tf/2)

## 3. Employment

**MERCY HOME CARE**  
**MERCY HOSPICE**  
Contingent - Medical Social Work  
Candidate must be Masters Prepared, with a Degree in social work. A minimum one year social work experience in a health care setting. Must be licensed to practice Social Work in the State of Michigan. Ability to assess and act upon client needs without direct supervision and willingness to travel in our geographic region. Competitive pay.

Brenda Lake  
Business / Facility Manager  
324 Meadows Drive, Grayling, Michigan 49738  
989.344.402 Direct Extension  
989.348.4380 FAX  
lakeb@trinity-health.org

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**NEMCSA**  
NORTHEAST MICHIGAN COMMUNITY SERVICE AGENCY, INC.  
seeks a Community Based Care Specialist for the for our West Branch office. Position requires Bachelor's Degree in Social Work or Licensed Registered Nurse and one year experience working with long term care or aging programs. Coordinate and facilitate services for individuals in need of long term care services. The liaison/program specialist will build relationships with nursing facilities, adult foster care homes and homes for the aged, to enhance and advocate efforts in support of long term care options for individuals residing in a licensed setting. A valid driver license, reliable transportation and multi county travel required. Wage \$14.10/hr plus benefits. Application deadline is August 13, 2009 4:30 PM. Application form and specific job information along with application process is available at www.nemcsa.org or phone 989/356-3474. Upon request auxiliary aids and services will be made available to individuals with disabilities. Michigan Relay Center "Voice and TTY/TDD" 1-800-649-3777. An EOE.

## 2. For Rent

**FOR RENT** 1, 2 & 3 bedroom rentals. Call 348-2466. (7/23/09tf/2)

**2 BEDROOMS, 1 BATH** house. Updated kitchen, two enclosed porches, good storage. \$650/month, \$650 security deposit, includes water and heat. 760-567-5536. (-6/2)

**1 BEDROOM, 1 BATH** apartment. New carpet, light and airy. \$550 includes water and heat. 760-567-5536. (-30-6/2)

**NEWER 3 BEDROOM 2** bath home with fireplace & 2 car detached garage. \$700 per month, with one month security, propane budget \$100 per month. No pets. Beaver Creek Twp. near 4 Mile Rd. exit. 989-915-9563. (-30-6/2)

**2 BEDROOM APARTMENT** \$500 monthly plus gas, nonsmoking, no pets. 348-4840. (-30-6/2)

**HOUSE FOR RENT** 3 bedroom, 2 bathroom furnished home on the East Branch of the AuSable. 10 minutes from downtown Grayling, available Sept. 1, \$700 a month plus utilities. No smoking, no pets. Call 616-901-0771. (-6-13-20-27-3/2)

## 3. Employment

## 2. For Rent

**HOME FOR RENT**, 1 block from Lake Margrethe-Poplar Blvd. 3 bedroom, 1 bath. Large detached 2+ car garage. Kitchen appliances. \$750 per month. First & security required. Available September 2009. 586-228-2874. (-6-13-20-27/2)

**RENT WITH OPTION** to purchase this two bedroom mobile home located at 10287 Madison off McIntyre's Landing Rd. Call Northwood Rentals 344-8787. (-6/2)

**ONE BEDROOM APARTMENT** on the river in Grayling, close to everything! \$650 per month includes utilities gas, electric, water, sewer and garbage pick up. Call Northwood Rentals 989 344-8787. (-6/2)

## 3. Employment

**LOOKING FOR SELF MOTIVATED** assistant interested in Web design and internet. No experience necessary, but a good attitude. E-mail resume and cover letter to hponder@ponderconsulting.com. (-6/3)

**HIGH PAYING CAREERS** for women/men in transportation. Contact Liberty Truck Driving School. Call toll free for information 1-888-602-5966, www.libertytruckdrivingschool.com. (-6-13-20-27-3-10-17-24-1/3)

**NURSING ASSISTANTS** we are looking for mature, dedicated individuals who have a passion for what they do. Must possess State of Michigan Certification, pass a Drug Screen and Criminal Background check. Full and Part time positions. Apply in person today at Grayling Nursing and Rehab, 331 Meadows Dr., Grayling. (-30-6/3)

**SEASONAL/PART-TIME** Company is looking for experienced Service Workers to read meters. This position is part-time/seasonal, through the winter months. The pay is \$10 per hour, after training. Qualified candidates will have at least a working knowledge of reading meters, have a valid driver's license and an excellent driving record, be drug free, able to pass a criminal history background check, and have reliable transportation. Please forward your resume or a letter of interest to hrapps@unibarinc.com, EOE. (-6/3)

## 3. Employment

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**MIO ACE HARDWARE** is looking for a Retail Hardware Clerk. Full time, 40 hours per week, 2 positions available in Mio. Job description - Applicant must have hardware knowledge, sales experience, outstanding customer service skills, money handling skills, knowledge of office equipment, cash register, accounting software. Applicant must be able to multitask, create displays, make recommendations as well as select and help locate merchandise. Training for specialized services will be offered. This position does offer advancement to the right person. Applicant must be able to climb, lift, bend, twist, push and pull on a regular basis. Job requirements -This job requires a high school diploma and 3 years of experience. Send resume to PO Box 970, Mio, MI 48647. (-30-6/3)

**SALES TRAINEES NEEDED** to sell USDA meats. Experience preferred, but will train motivated people. Vehicle provided. Call Lisa 390-0902. (-30-6/3)

**\$1,000 SIGN ON BONUS!** Apply now. We are interviewing for general laborers, customer service reps, management trainees and also need help in our marketing dept. Good starting pay with promotional opportunities. Don't wait, call to set up interview now. Openings are limited. 989-732-2175. (-6/3)

**LPN/RN NURSE** for private duty home care in Lake City area. Must have vent experience. Shifts vary, please call Health Partners at 888-834-2851. (-6-13/3)

**BARTENDER** experience a must. Able to work days and/or nights. Apply in person at Fred's of Roscommon, 430 North 5th Street. (-6-13/3)

## 4. Services Offered

**CHANGE OF BUSINESS NUMBER** Darrell's Roofing - Just a note to let you know that my business number has been changed 989-370-0615 is how I can be reached. Please keep us in mind for all of your construction needs. (-6-13-20-27/4)

**RENE'S HOMECARE NURSING** is now serving Crawford County. Call for more information, 1-866-225-7214. 2 hour minimum up to 24 hours, 7 days a week. (-6-13-20-27/4)

**SEWING, ZIPPERS, QUILTER** Open 6 days a week. (989)348-9349. (-6-20/4)

## 3. Employment

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Kirtland Community College is seeking proposals for rubbish collection and removal services from truck-lift containers for its facilities located in Roscommon, MI for a period beginning September 1, 2009, and ending August 31, 2011. Bids will be accepted in the Kirtland Community College Facilities Management Office until Thursday, August 20, 2009, at 3:30 p.m. at which time they will be opened and publicly read.

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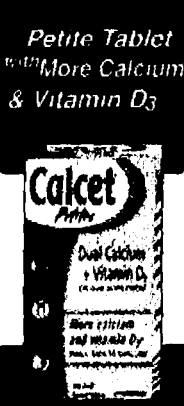
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## 8. Announcements

**DONATIONS** of clean, saleable items are needed for AuSable Valley Animal Shelter's Big Garage Sale. No clothing, large furniture or appliances. Collection days: **ONLY Saturday and Sunday, August 8-9 from 10 am to 4 pm in Red Barn #1 at the old fairgrounds.** Donations will not be accepted at the shelter due to lack of storage space. Any questions, call Cheryl at 348-1429. (-30-6/8)

**CRAWFORD COUNTY LADIES** pool league meeting, Aug. 10 at 7 pm in lounge at Ramada Inn. (-6/8)

**CONGRATULATIONS** Naomi Kolka and Shelby Golnick for winning the girls 12-14 age division in the 2009 Casey Challenge Canoe Race and for setting a new record! 1:14:49. Good job girls we are very proud of you. (-6/8)

**HALL FOR RENT** with kitchen facility. Also taking reservations for summer outdoor pavilion. Beaver Creek Township. Call 989-275-8878. (LR-8/20/09/8)

## 10. Garage Sales

**GARAGE SALE** Friday 9 - 6, Saturday 9 - 1. Bikes, BBQ, infant car seat, transformers, lots more. N. Down River to Wilcox Bridge to 3452 Jones Lake. (-6/10)

**NOTTINGHAM YARD SALES** starting Fri. 9 - 6, Sat. and Sun. 9 - 3. Furniture, mini-frig, shower door, plants, baby stuff, stroller, clothes, lots of misc. Follow signs. (-6/10)

**HUGE GARAGE SALE** - Thursday, Friday & Saturday - 9 to 6. 3 miles past Stephan Bridge Rd on M-72 East. Whitetail, mule deer, antelope & caribou mounts, belt/disc sander, assorted power & hand tools, Ready heater, fishing poles & tackle boxes, 3 boat motors, lanterns, camping related, built to scale wooden model airplanes, DVD & VHS movies, records, CDs, solid oak china cabinet; matching couch & loveseat, other misc furniture, microwave, Corelle, pots/pans, dish sets, pressure cooker & canning items, old bottles, Avon bottles, Oil Lamps, kids toys & games, garden décor items, folding pet cage, Aussie saddle, craft items. Too many things to list. (-6/10)

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## Miscellaneous

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## Real Estate

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## 10. Garage Sales

**MOVING SALE** twin bed, lamp table, swag lamp, fridge, dresser, plus misc. M-72 to Eagle Pt. to 9416 Beech Terrace. (-6/10)

**BIG SALE** cleaning out the garage. West 72 to McIntyres Landing, follow signs. Thursday, Friday and Saturday 6, 7, 8, Sunday 12 - 4 pm. (-6/10)

**GARAGE SALE** August 6, 7 & 8, 1006 Vine St., directly behind Family Practice Clinic off North Down River Rd., Grayling. Large variety of items, lots of kids clothes, toys and more. (-6/10)

**COMMUNITY YARD SALE** Whispering Pines Apts. Fri. Aug. 7, 9 - 5, Sat. Aug. 8, 9 - 2. Behind Save-A-Lot. (-6/10)

**YARD SALE** Fri. & Sat. 10 - 4. Garden items, tools, toys and duck hunting items. Lots of misc. 6411 S. Military Rd. (-6/10)

**FRIDAY & SATURDAY** 9 am - 5 pm. Antiques, tools, fishing equipment, 32" TV, oak entertainment center, computer desk & lots more misc., household items. 1698 Stephan Bridge Rd., just north of M 72 East. (-6/10)

**GARAGE SALE** Fri. 9 - 5, Sat. 9 - 1. 71 Bronco with snow blade, misc. Large 3 family sale, 3891 Juniper Way. (-6/10)

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# Grayling receives funds for Ingham Street upgrades

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

The City of Grayling has netted a grant that will pay for infrastructure and street improvements for a road that links east and west sides of the community.

The city received a \$388,284 Community Development Block Grant through the Michigan Economic Development Corporation.

The funds will be used to replace infrastructure on Ingham Street, which runs from the I-75 Business Loop to Maple Street adjacent to the Old AuSable Fly Shop.

Grayling City Manager David Thayer said that sewer mains will be replaced, water lines will be replaced and sanitary sewers will be replaced. The project will also enable the city to have the required 10 feet of lateral and vertical space between the water, sanitary and storm sewers. Finally, the road will be repaved and new curbs

will be built.

Following this year's \$4.3 million I-75 Business Loop reconstruction project and last year's \$1.3 million downtown streetscape project, Thayer said that all major infrastructure will be updated in the northwest portion of the community.

"We will now replace that aging infrastructure with up-to-date more dependable infrastructure that will prevent breaks and waste seeping into the AuSable River so there is a significant environmental impact with the project as well," Thayer said.

Thayer said historic and environmental data for the project will be done for the project this fall. The city hopes to start work on the infrastructure and street upgrades in May 2010. City officials, who have committed \$127,069 toward the project, said they are pleased to get a highly competitive grant that will result in community wide benefits.

Last week, Gov. Jennifer

Granholm announced that 46 communities will receive more than \$14.1 million federal funding in support of public infrastructure projects to create jobs while building the foundation for a stronger economy. The Community Development Block Grant funding is made available through the Michigan Economic Development Corporation.

"Dynamic communities are the engine of Michigan's continued economic success," Granholm said. "Investment in public infrastructure is critical to attracting investment and creating new jobs in our state."

Grant recipients were selected on their overall eligibility and the impact the project would have on the community. Priority was given to projects that are ready to begin construction, have sufficient local matching funds and have completed preliminary cost estimates.

The Infrastructure Capacity Enhancement program, formerly known as the Public Works program, benefits cities, villages and townships where at least 51 percent of the population is comprised of low and moderate income residents as defined by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The funds may be used for projects that upgrade existing public infrastructure systems by replacing deteriorating or obsolete systems or by adding capacity to existing but burdened systems.

"Even Michigan's smaller communities must compete for job-creating investment in today's global economy," MEDC President and CEO Greg Main said. "This funding will help them address the cost of upgrading their public facilities."

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## Online Poll Results

Recent online poll questions and results:

**Other than the AuSable River Canoe Marathon, what is your favorite AuSable River Festival event?**

Arts & Crafts Show	Black Bear Bicycle Tour	AuSable River Festival Parade
59 votes 33%	10 votes 6%	28 votes 16%
GRA 10K Race	H.U.P. Race	Casey Challenge Youth Canoe Race
5 votes 3%	15 votes 8%	8 votes 4%
Classic Car Show	Kids' Day	
38 votes 21%	16 votes 9%	

**How will you vote in the Aug. 4 election regarding the senior center (Prop. 1: renovate fish hatchery, Prop. 2: new facility and millage)?**

YES on both	33 votes 10 votes 10%	Prop. 2	2. NO on Prop. 1
YES on Prop. 1, NO on Prop. 2	49 votes 49%	9 votes 9%	

This week's online poll question: **Should Crawford County host mixed martial arts (MMA) events?**

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